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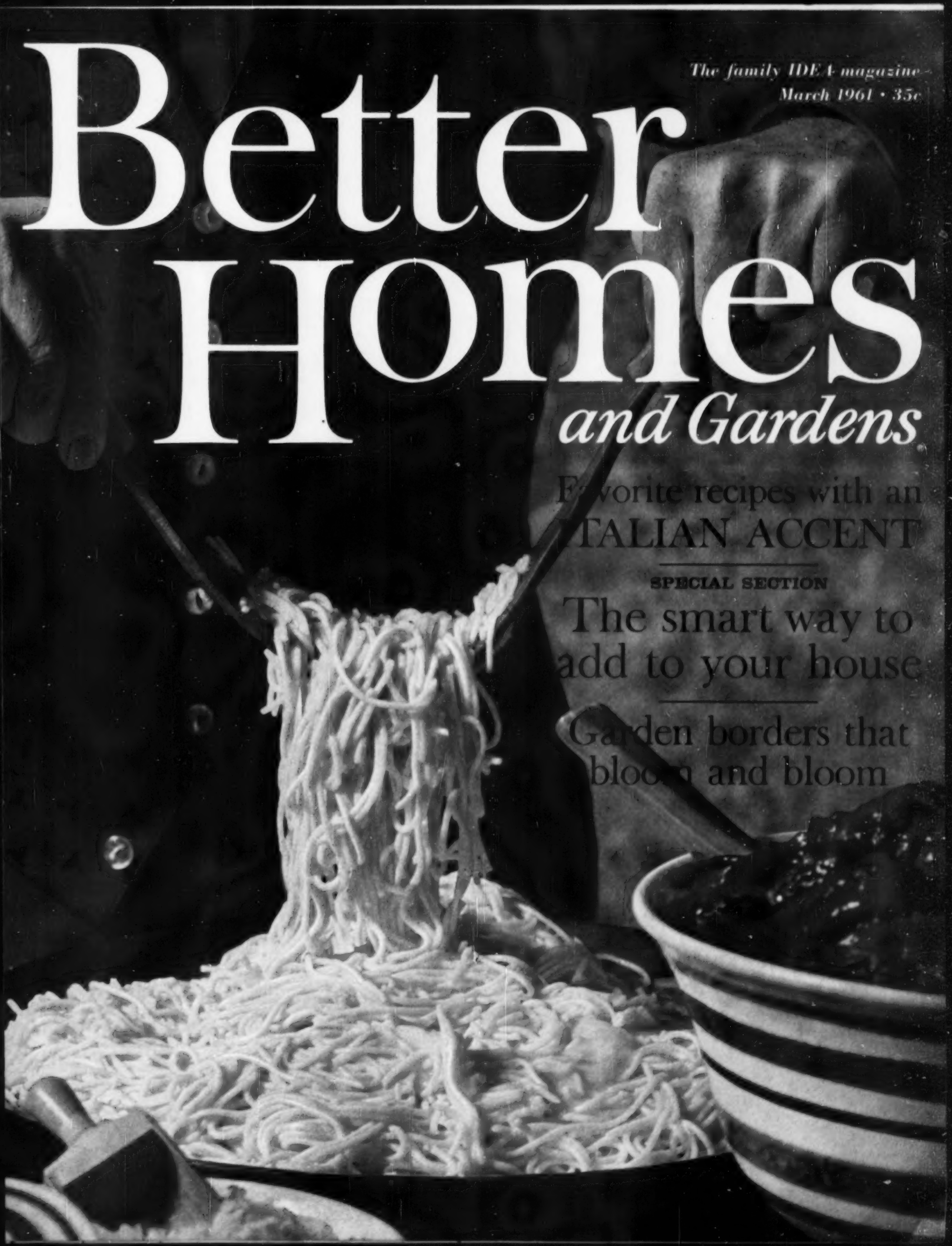

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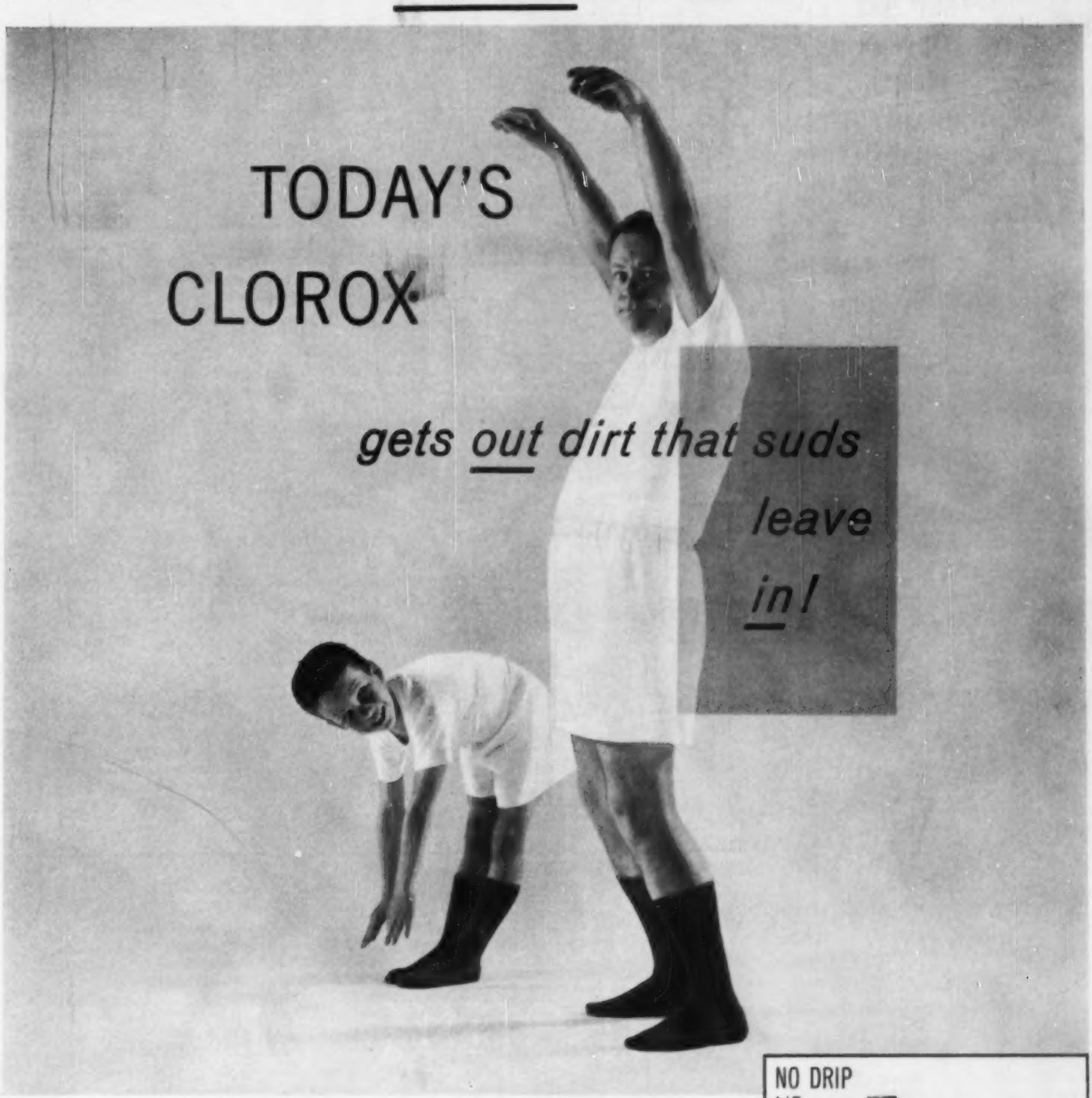

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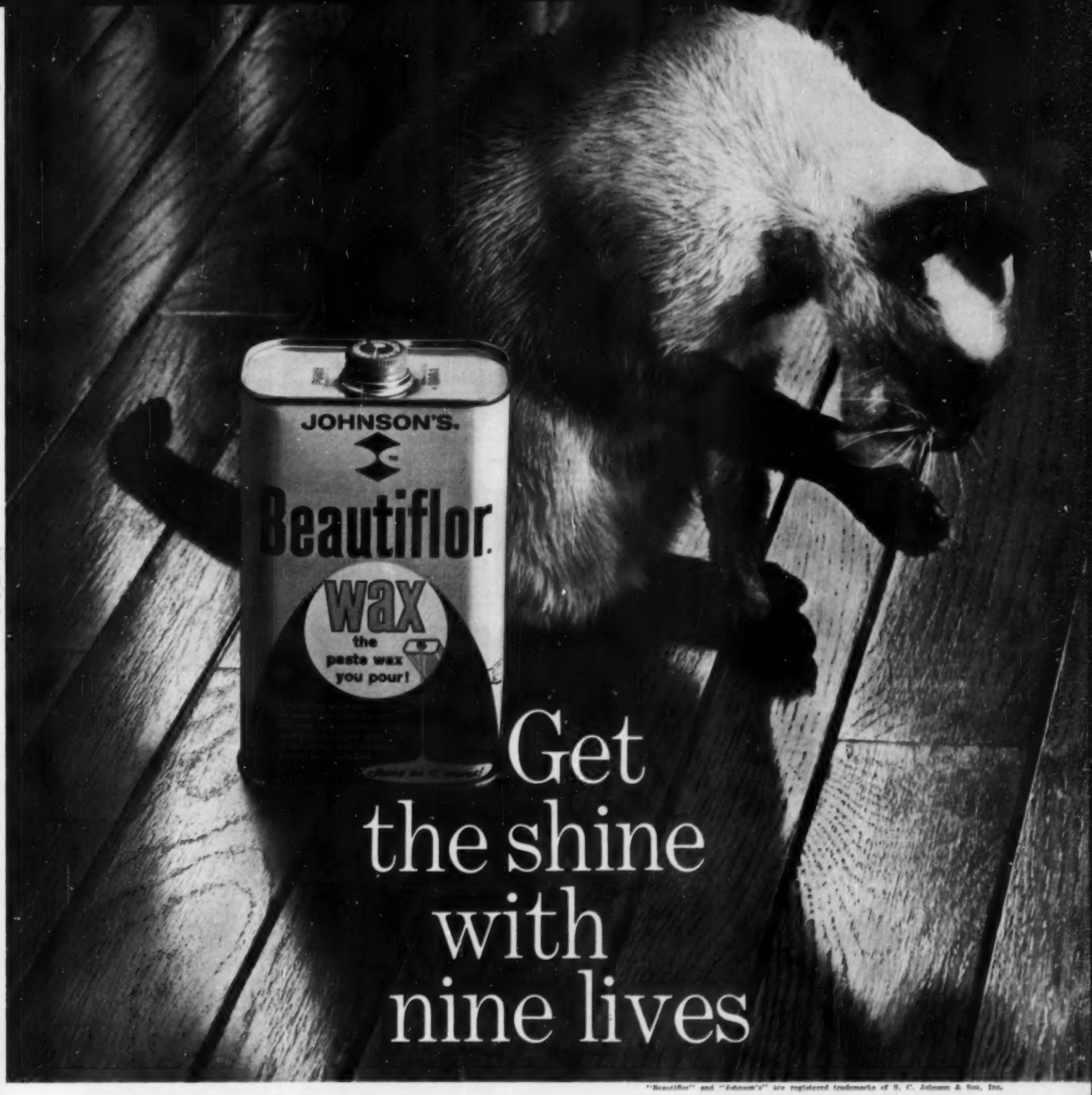

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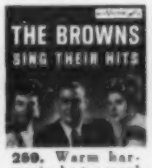

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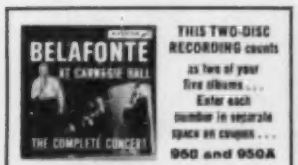

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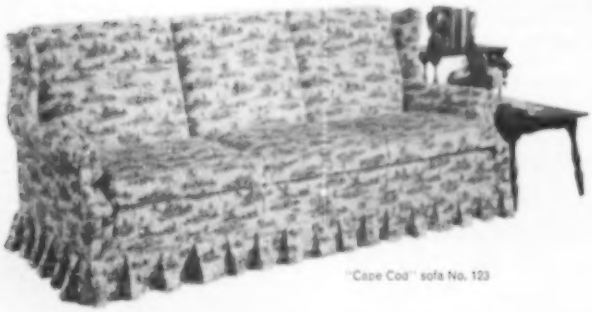

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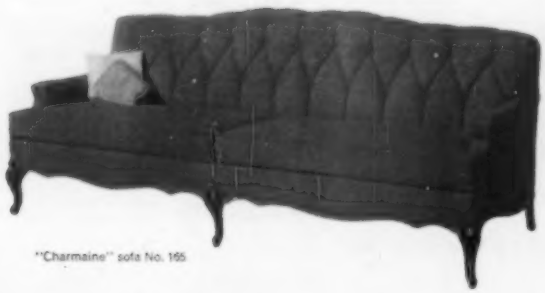

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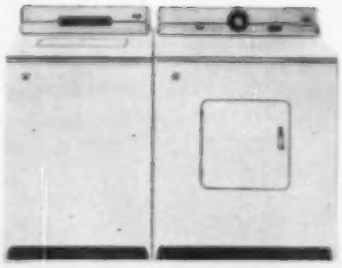

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Shoe polish, 49c each, for all types, in stores. S. C. Johnson & Son, Inc., Racine, Wis.

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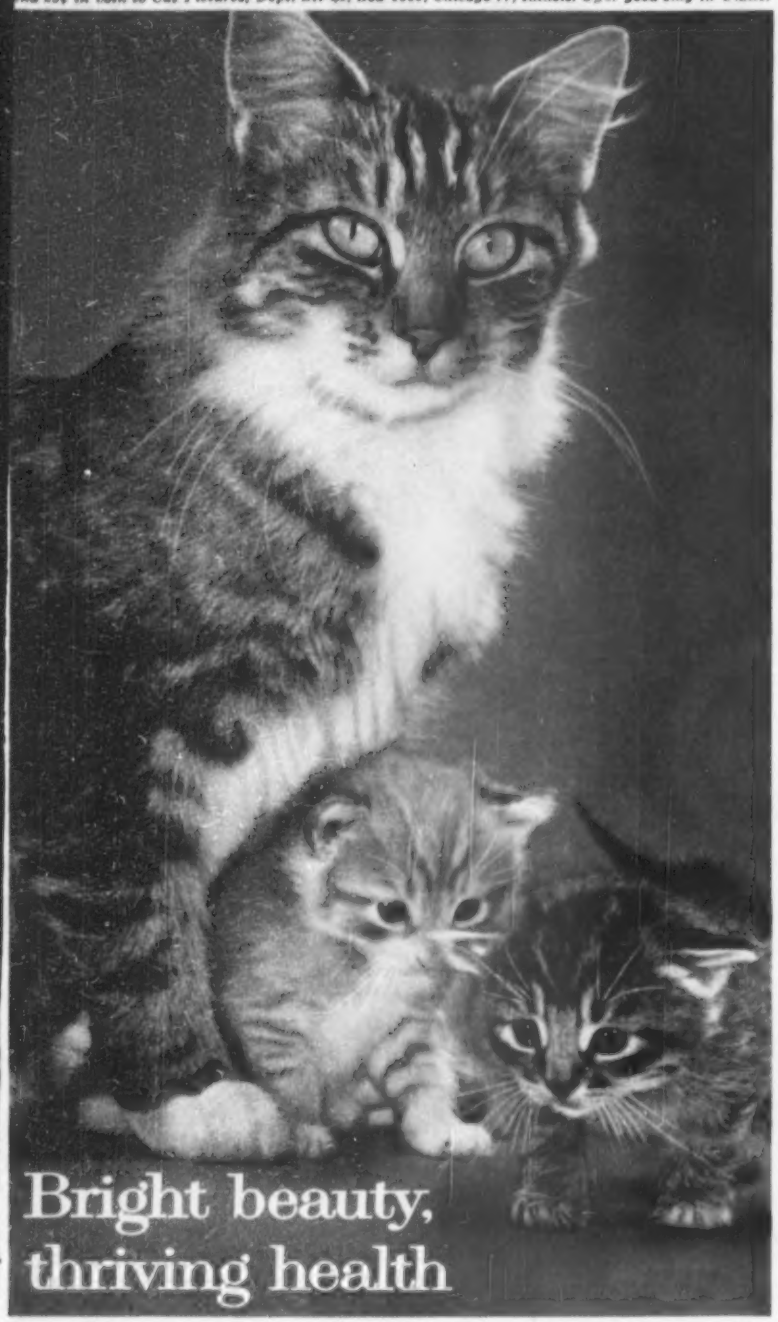

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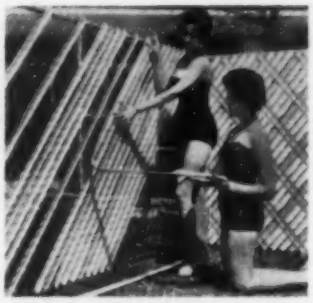

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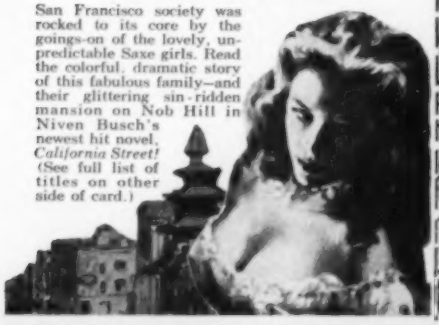

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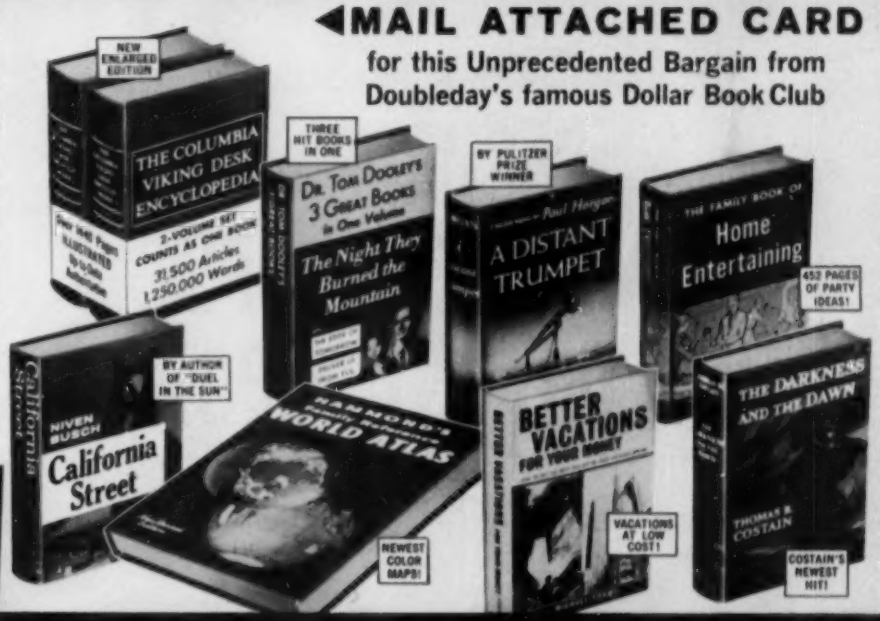

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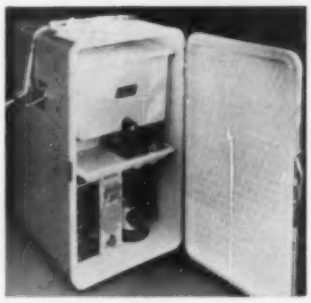

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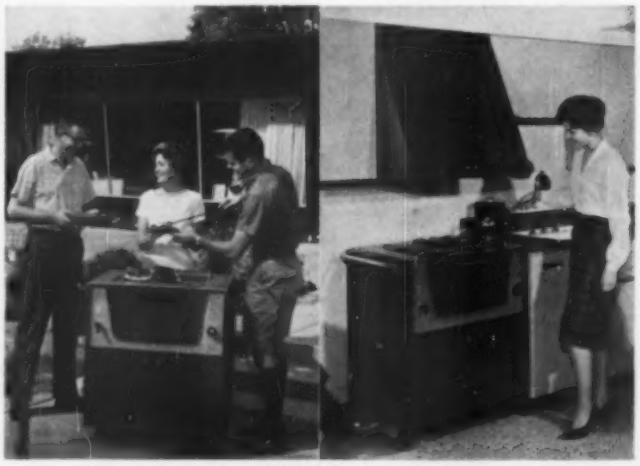

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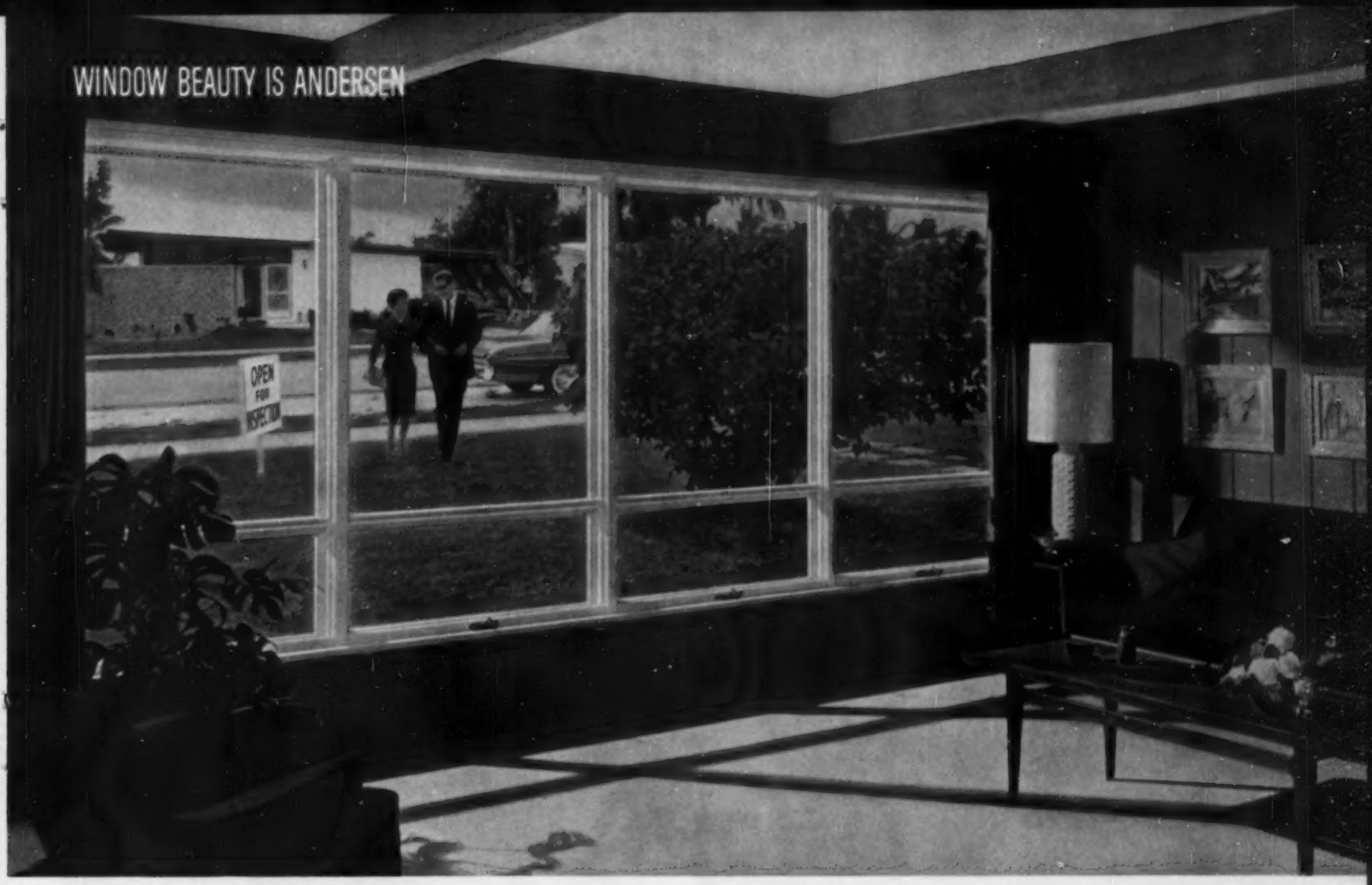

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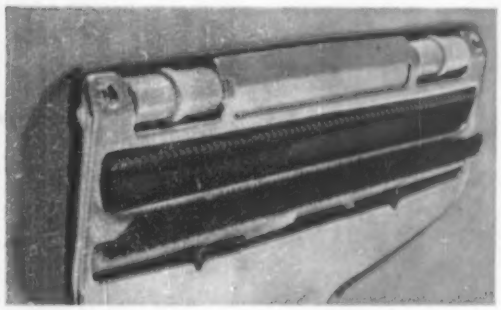

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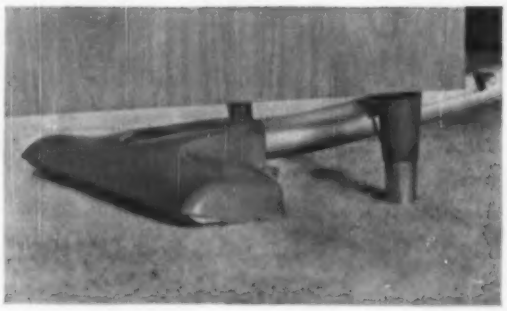

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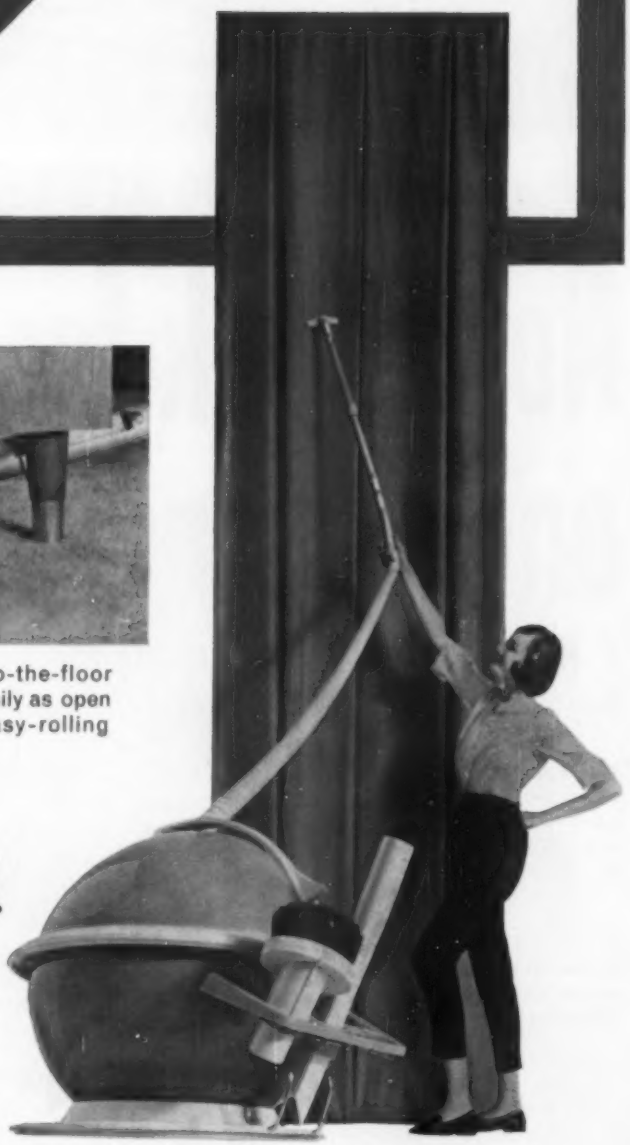

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Photograph: Bill Hedrich, Hedrich-Blessing. Designer: Robert Rodriguez

What to say when you must tell your child about death

For weeks after the death of his grandmother, a little boy cried every time he was told to go to sleep. The explanation of his grandmother's death had been, "Grandmother went to sleep." The child, realizing that Granny had disappeared from the household, became afraid that he would suffer the same fate if *he* went to sleep.

Another unwise explanation of a loved one's death is to say, "Grandfather has gone away." The child will keep expecting Grandfather to come back some day and may even harass his parents by insisting on knowing exactly *when*.

It's a mistake to be evasive with a child in order to spare him grief. Children are sensitive. When you are sad, they feel it even if you don't tell them about it.

Be honest, yet be sure you don't exceed the limits of your child's understanding. Say simply, "Grandmother has died. We won't see her again, but we will remember how nice she was and how much she loved us."

The question, "When a person dies, where does he go?" is best answered by a simple explanation keyed to your own religious faith or philosophy. But remember, children need to have a sense of continuity and do not want to think about an absolute end to anything.

Most often, before a child experiences the loss of an acquaintance or a beloved person, he is prepared somewhat by the knowledge that wild things die or that pets die. Help your child accept this fact by telling him that most animals and birds grow old much more quickly than people, and therefore do not live nearly so long—and that death brings them peace, not pain.

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Louvered fence provides privacy -plus air circulation

The distinctive design of this fence surrounding a patio at the home of Dr. and Mrs. W. Howard Marshall provides needed privacy, yet allows the breezes to flow in.

The 1x3-inch redwood slats have 1x2-inch boards nailed on one edge. The assembled slats are then spaced ¾ inches apart, for air circulation, and fastened to the frame. The 1x2-inch boards help greatly in gaining privacy.

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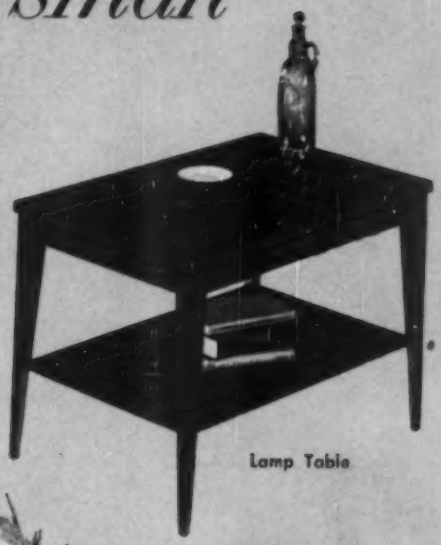

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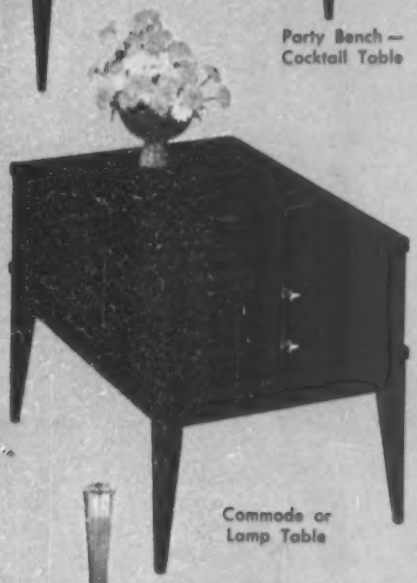

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The drawer unit is the main ingredient to convert an existing closet. Add a small mirror to the back wall and replace the usual light fixture with a fluorescent tube.

Photograph: G. Suter, Hedrich-Blessing. Architect: Joseph Cyr, A.I.A.

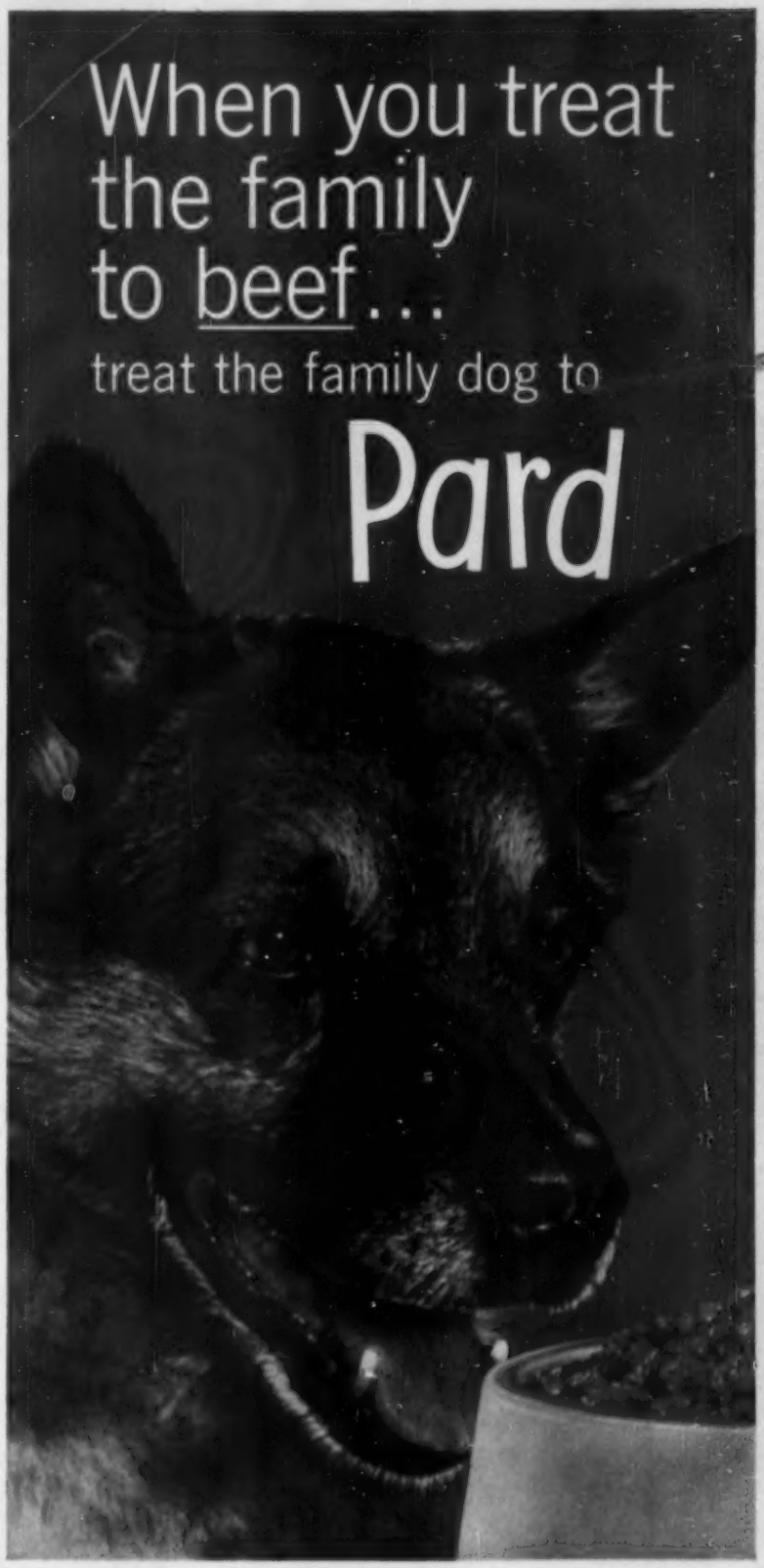
Whatever happened to the family dinner hour?

Time was when the family dinner hour was almost sacred. No one missed it without serious reason. It was not interrupted for trivial cause. Each person had his place at the table and appeared clean and presentable. Grace was said. Father served, and Mother's was the *first* plate to be filled. Children learned to wait their turn, to pass food along, to say "please" and "thank you."

Today the diversions of modern life and the lack of space have combined to destroy this fine tradition in far too many homes. How can we bring it back?

A dining room as such is not essential if the occasion has precedence over any distractions. Even the plainest table assumes a touch of magic when covered by a cloth, set with loving care, and given the benefit of flowers.

Children love ritual and enjoy the security of formal family occasions. Given the chance, given the hour, given their role, they will respond with pleasure. And they'll learn to dine graciously with confidence.



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IDEAS IN ACTION

Stretch a sliver of space into a big desk wall

This roomy desk in the kitchen of Mr. and Mrs. Wells Wright combines wood cabinets and a counter which narrows at each end to fit slim wall space next to doorways.

Small, angled wall cabinets with sliding doors house the intercom and desk lighting. Desk also serves as a hiding place for laundry hampers. Extra electrical outlets in light fixtures are handy for hobby tools.

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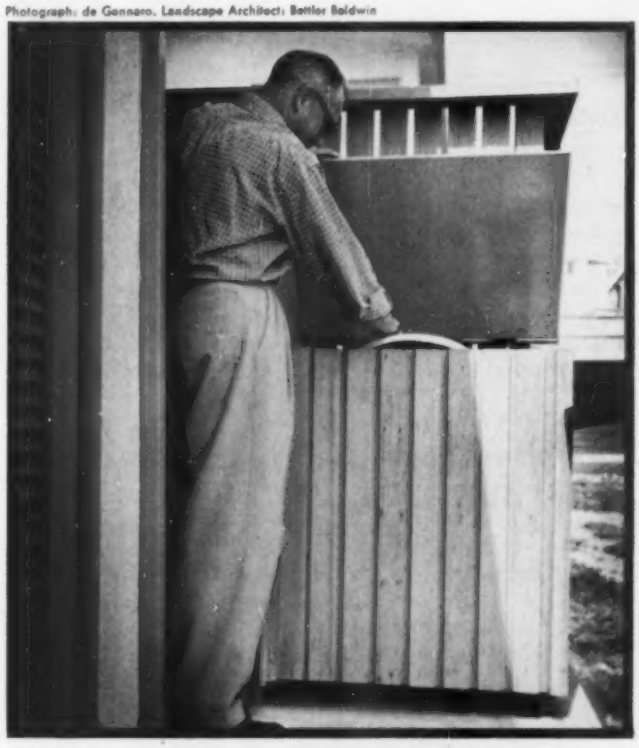

Enclosure for refuse container styled to blend with the fence

Here is a neat enclosure for a refuse container, near a service gate at the home of Dr. and Mrs. W. Howard Marshall. It is built of 1x3-inch boards nailed to a plywood backing, to blend it with the patio fence in the background.

For removal of the container from the enclosure, the front section is hinged, and secured with a gate bolt from inside. The top is also hinged for easy access.

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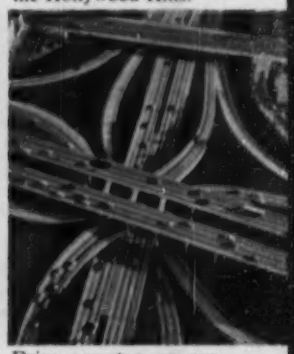

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In addition to creating a pleasant eating area, the new counter top also becomes a serving area to the dining room. Fruitwood-stained wood cabinet, above, provides storage for food and utensils, partially screens work area from view.

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A Winter-Weary Cook makes a salad tray more spring-like with mounds of pimiento-banded asparagus, some white mounds, some green, all canned and all *vinaigrette*.

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Strawberry ground covers are excellent for situations such as this, where no foot traffic is expected.

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Photograph: Bill Hedrich, Hedrich-Blessing

A counter where the wall was rights two wrongs

This kitchen and small dinette were separated by a non-load-bearing wall. The tiny dining nook wasn't large enough to do its job right, so the Clifford Chaudrons of St. Louis, Missouri, cut the wall in half to open both rooms.

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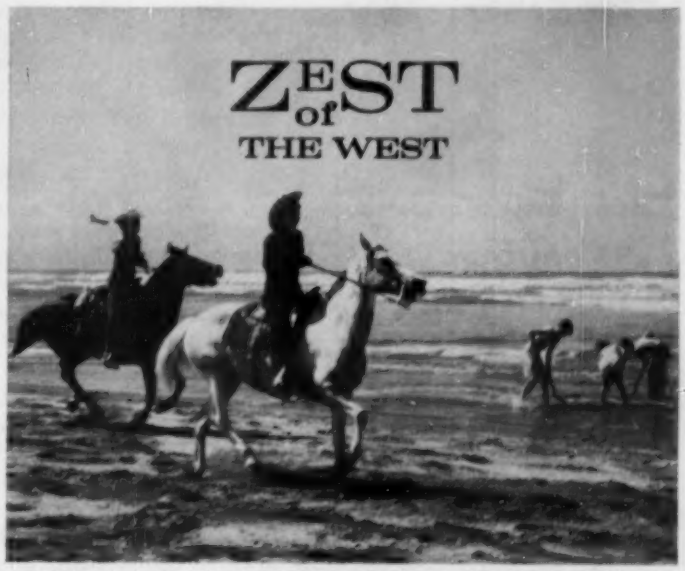

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One certain culprit is the increase in size of claims. Payout per claim has leaped 41 per cent within the past 5 years.

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How can you reduce your insurance bill? Pending a reduction in the accident rate, here are eight suggestions:

1. *Qualify as a select risk.* Some companies that specialize in so-called "select risks" charge drivers with clean accident records anywhere from 5 to 25 per cent less than standard rates. A number of other companies have similar programs called "merit-rating" or safe-driver plans.

In general, these companies want drivers who not only have excellent safety records, but also keep their cars in good condition and are neither very young nor very old. But not all such people can qualify; sometimes even unfortunate minor accidents or recent traffic violations can keep you out.

2. *Qualify in a special group.* A number of companies insure special groups—people who don't use alcoholic beverages, Armed Forces officers, and Government employees, for example—for less than standard rates. Several specialize in rural car owners who don't often drive in cities.

3. *Insure only the major risks.* Your big need is for liability insurance protecting you against damage you might do to others. But you probably could afford the cost of uninsured smaller damages your own car may suffer. Thus, it may be possible to cut down on comprehensive coverage (insuring you against theft, fire, and vandalism) and on collision coverage to your own car. Remember, too, that non-reimbursed casualty damage is tax-deductible.

If you don't want to omit comprehensive and collision insurance, or if your time payment contract won't let you, another way of saving is to take higher deductibles and foot smaller losses yourself. For example, in one area a leading company charges $91.80 for $10,000/$20,000 of liability insurance for a popular-price 1960 car, $11.40 for full comprehensive, and $48.60 for $50-deductible collision insurance. Total bill: $151.80 a year. By comparison, $50-deductible comprehensive costs only $4, and $100-deductible collision insurance—instead of $50-deductible—costs only $32. The total bill with this deductible combination would be $127.80. And if collision insurance were eliminated completely, the bill would drop to $95.80. Savings in other areas and on other models will vary.

4. *Pay premiums in full.* If you budget ahead for premiums and pay them in full, you can save extra fees. Say your insurance is billed every six months. Usually you can delay paying half of it for two months by adding an extra $2, regardless of the size of the bill. Thus, on a $40 semiannual premium, you can delay payment of $20 for two months. But the $2 fee amounts to an actual per-annum interest rate of 60 per cent. On larger premiums, of course, the flat $2 fee would amount to a lower per-annum rate, but on smaller premiums the rate would be even higher.

5. *Choose the proper classification.* In most states, drivers pay higher rates if they use their cars to drive more than ten miles to work or if there's a young driver in the family. Thus you need to make sure that you aren't mistakenly put into a costlier class than necessary. If you arrange insurance through a car dealer or finance company, get a written statement of how the company classified you and the amount they charged. If the insurance fee is merely lumped into the finance charge, you will never know if you have been properly classified; nor will you be able to compare the rate with that charged by the other firms.

6. *Driver-train your youngsters.* In many areas, the rate doubles for drivers under 25. But most companies now give reductions of 5 to 15 per cent below their normal young-driver rates if the youngster had high school or other approved driver training.

7. *Qualify as a "compact."* In most states, you can now pay 20 per cent less for liability insurance on 1955 or later cars if they are under 200 inches long, 125 horsepower or less, and weigh no more than 3,000 pounds.

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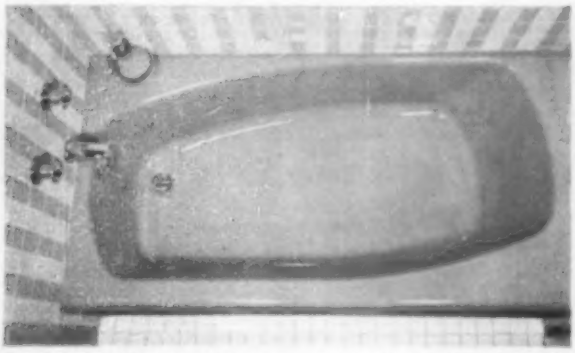

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The smart way to add living to your home

Four years ago, a Long Island, New York, family decided to enlarge its 1½-story home in a development of $15,000 houses. The family had lots of plans: finish the attic, enclose the breezeway, move out one wall and add a garage.

The local bankers were aghast. They warned this young couple it would end up with a $23,000 house! This, it was pointed out, would violate the traditional economics of home ownership: "Don't make your house more expensive than the neighborhood."

But the family liked the neighborhood, the people, the good school close by. They tried many lenders without obtaining the financing they needed. Then, by borrowing from a relative, tapping savings, and doing much of the work themselves, they went ahead. Did they make a mistake?

It's now clear that they didn't. The rest of the neighborhood has caught up. Almost all of the original homes have been enlarged. The pace-setting family no longer has the most expensive house. By the lenders' questionable criterion, the family's worries are over.

For years, many responsible homeowners have been put off from remodeling by the conservatism of lenders, brokers, and appraisers. Of course, not every desire to expand makes equally good sense. And the professionals have often been right to insist that the added space and equipment have a later, predictable value. But how much later value is enough?

In actual fact, few items big or small have maintained—and increased—in value during recent years more than housing. Why, in this age when virtually nothing else holds its value with any permanence, should it be necessary that improvements to a house be viewed as "salable" years after the buyer has had his full share of living from the dollars invested? Why should anyone feel that money spent on housing is wasted unless it can be re-collected in full at resale time? Both are good questions.

Dr. Kurt Flexner, the American Bankers Association's mortgage expert, says: "Homeowners should not be penalized for raising values above the neighborhood average. When a family needs to expand or modernize, they should be able to invest without fear that their property will be difficult to market. More and more appraisers are recognizing the added market value of a house with the *right improvements*."

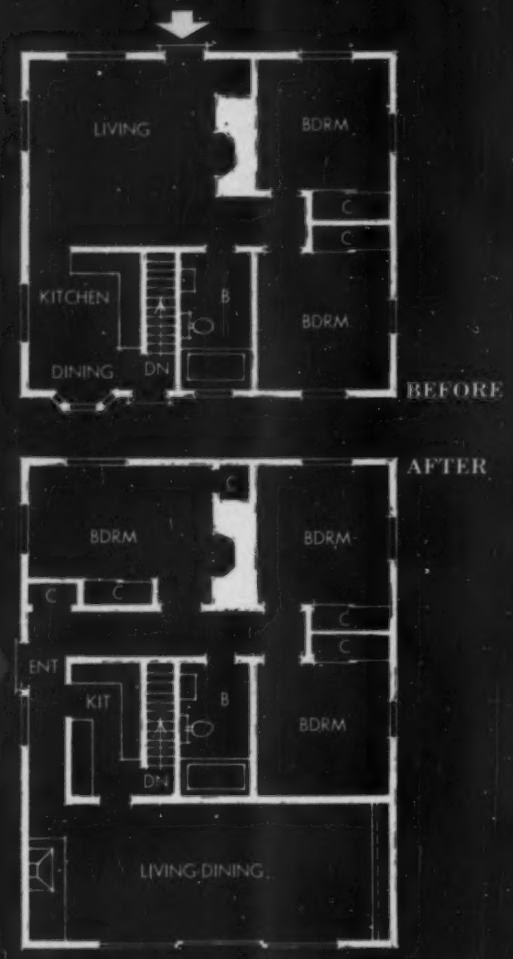
If everything is right for your family—the neighborhood, churches, income, schools, people near you—*everything, that is, except the house*—then you should be able to arrange suitable financing for the well-planned improvements and expansion your family needs.

Better Homes & Gardens believes your family's consideration on remodeling should be whether your needs would be better satisfied by moving into a new home or expanding your present one. You'd like, of course, to recover a reasonable percentage of your investment if and when you do sell, but this should be a secondary factor.

The planning ideas shown on the next four pages show—better than just saying it—that good living can be built on to any house.

How about your house—and neighborhood?

Add a daytime living area

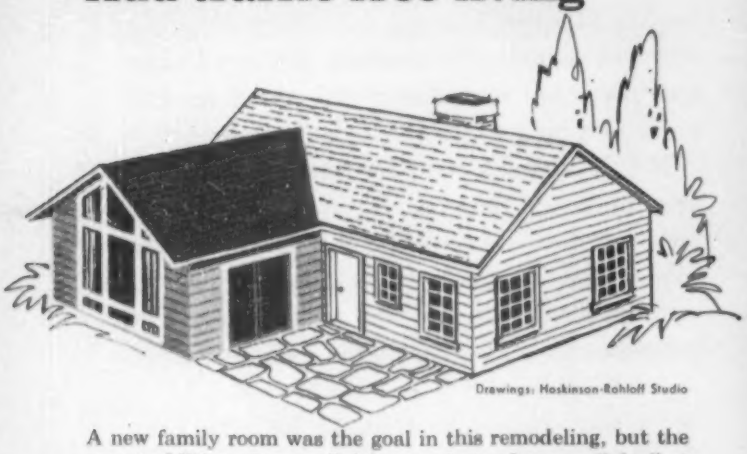


Small, four-room house almost always is too small in every direction for a growing family. The living room in a house like this usually faces the street and is poorly lighted through two small windows; the kitchen and eating space are cramped; storage inadequate; and two bedrooms are too few.

By adding a long living room across the rear, this house now can handle much more than minimum living. The new room is bright from the large glass area, has a pleasant view of the rear yard, now fenced for privacy. A prefabricated fireplace adds inexpensive comfort; new built-ins provide storage.

Old living room now becomes master bedroom, convenient to existing bathroom. Storage is added here and in new entry hall which directs traffic well throughout the house. Kitchen gains wall space for new built-in appliances, storage. Attention is focused on new side entry by a fence and bright-colored door; guests and family alike park at this side and new entry directs them to any part of the house.

Add traffic-free living



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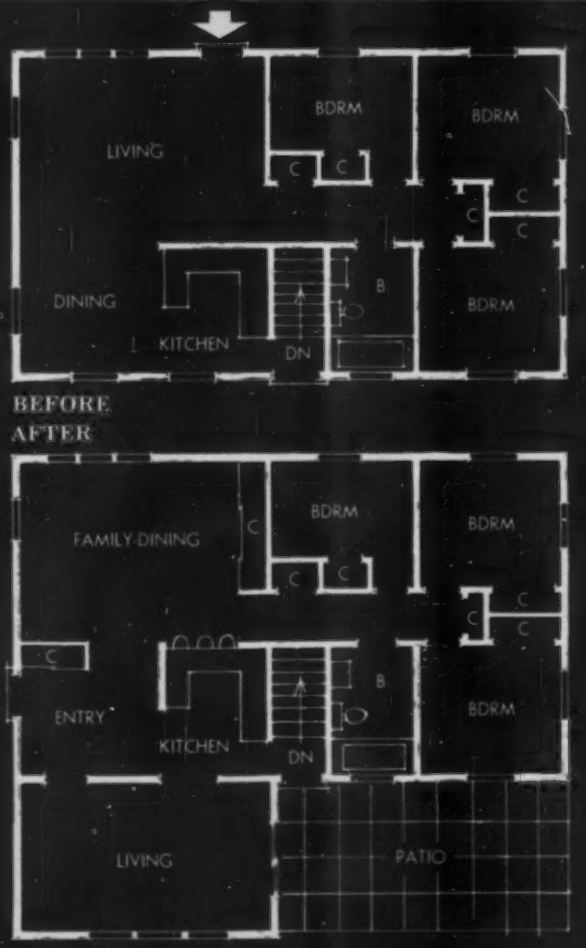


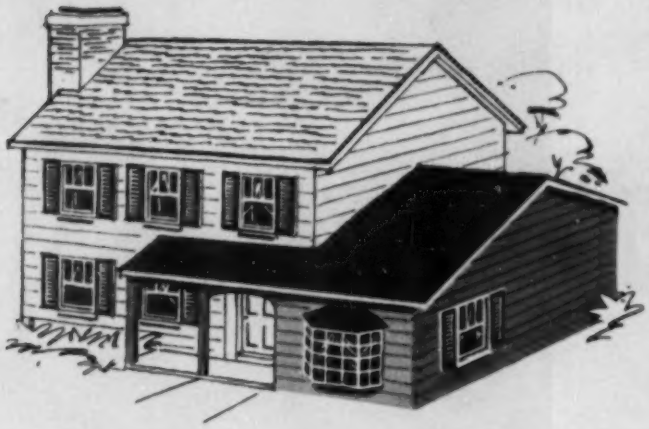
A new family room was the goal in this remodeling, but the smart addition of a new living room instead gave a "plus" at no extra cost.

The new living space at the back is now completely free of traffic—is not an "expanded hallway" as the old one was. The room now has a charming garden view. The old living room was switched to a headquarters area for the whole family. By closing the front entrance, this space was made usable for dining and family activities.

The new entry hall replaces the dining area—closets separate it from family room, give coat and activity storage. Kitchen wall is opened to form serving-snack bar to family room; skylight is added to keep this interior area bright.

This typical house has new style, too—the living room now offers smart Contemporary living space, with dramatic cathedral ceiling, tall windows. Materials are carefully selected for color and texture—and to blend with the old.

Improve appearance, too

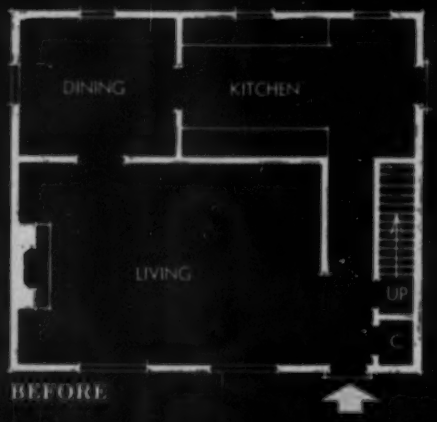


The first floor of this fine two-story home didn't allow informal family living. And from the street, the house appeared stilted and poorly proportioned.

The addition of a family room at the side offers a place for the family to gather for snacks, TV, hobbies. New downstairs bath works well as powder room and mud room. The new laundry area location saves steps to the basement.

An upstairs bedroom could easily be added by extending this wing to a second story. Extra bath can be planned over new downstairs plumbing, or backed to original bath.

Important, too, is the character and style this addition gave a boxy house. Offset wing gives a break in facade; small porch ties it to old part, gives charm. Materials are carefully matched with old; roof lines are of same design.



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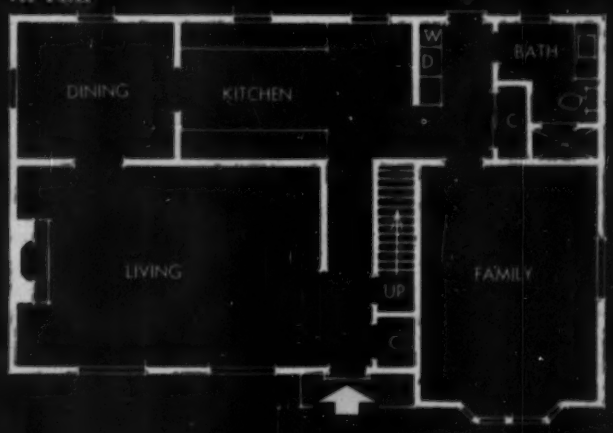
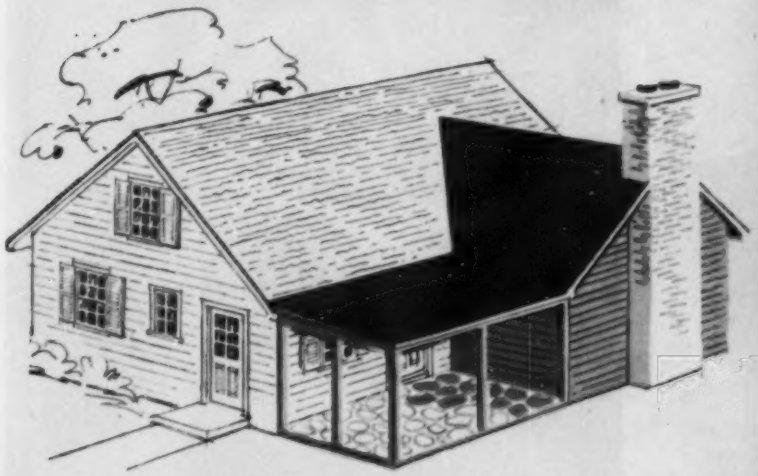


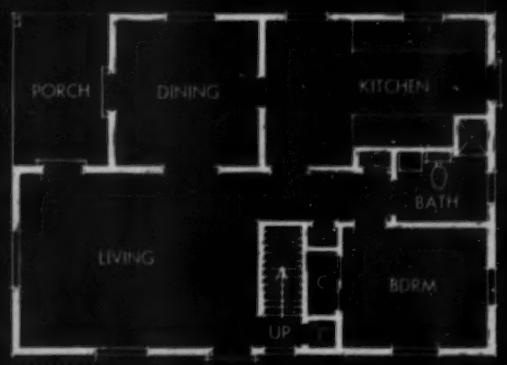
Gain spacious family room



Needed: room! Room for doing things as a family. Room for parties and for friends. Room for outdoor living. The old dining room was a waste of space most of every day, and the old porch was just too small for much use.

The addition is simple, but it brings the better life to this house. Dining is now incorporated into the new family room so that the table can be expanded from family size to company capacity without cramping. There's space, too, for a teen-age dance. Also, this room's the favorite meeting place for committees and clubs. The porch is now big enough to take the whole family in relaxed comfort.

From the back (the side your family sees most), the addition neatly blends and fits the scale of the house.



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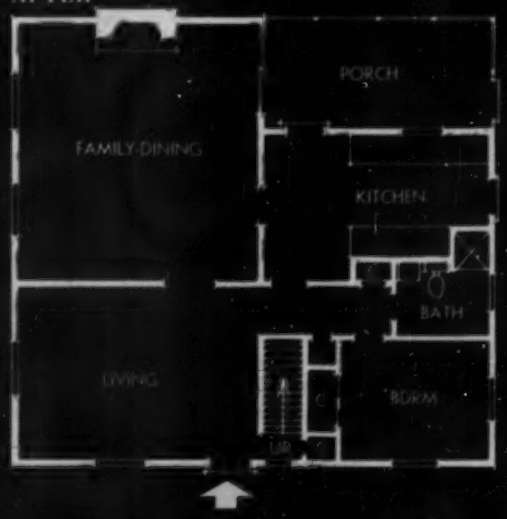


Expand kitchen and dining area

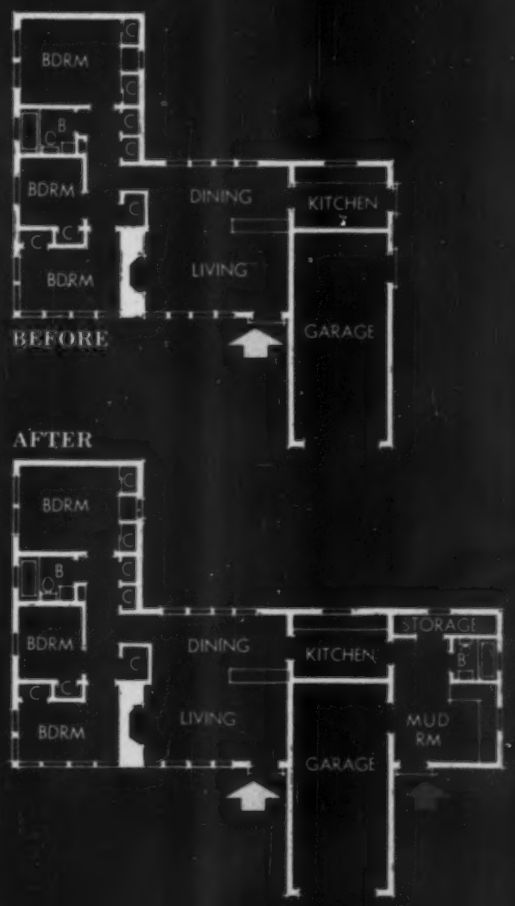
This cramped and dreary kitchen had almost no working area and traffic from the back door and from the basement added work-stopping confusion. Dining area was only an extension of the living room—always crowded for eating space, passage room. Company dinners were impossible.

A new rear wing makes room for both a new well-planned kitchen and an ample dining area. New appliances are efficiently organized; adequate electric service and outlets allow extra convenience to be added. The junior-size family room is really an enlarged breakfast "L"—with plenty of space for Mom's desk, a comfortable chair, and a small TV.

The enlarged dining area takes the squeeze off the living room. There's room enough for a family-size table in the new area; it still can be expanded into the living room corner for holiday-size crowds.

And in a remodeling like this, there's an important extra advantage that never shows on the plans—the whole family enjoys extra attention when work time and temper are saved.

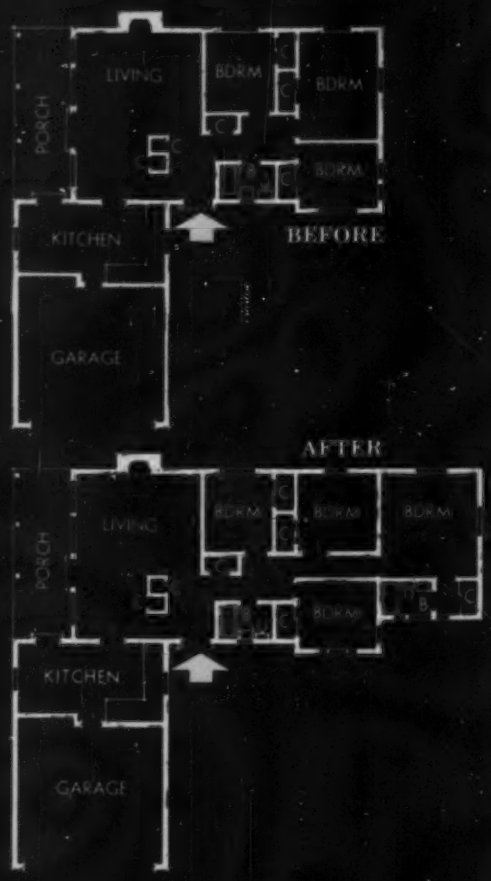
Plan a handy cleanup room



This house suited its family and helped them live the way they liked. But, it was always cluttered by a lot of necessary paraphernalia—the children's coats and boots, often wet from snowy or muddy play, dirty gardening clothes, hobby and sports equipment. All these things had been left out of the original home. And in order for any member of the family to wash, he had to go across the carpeted area of the house to the bathroom.

This addition takes much wear and tear off the house and centralizes the clutter and the dirt that is bound to come with little feet (and big ones, too). Note that it is located near the family entrance; the bathroom ties into the near-by kitchen plumbing lines. There's good storage here, too, and space for hobbies or a compact workshop for the man of the house.

The effect of this addition is felt all through the house—even the bedroom closets are cleaner and less crowded. Check your day-after-day picking-up to see if you need this useful space.



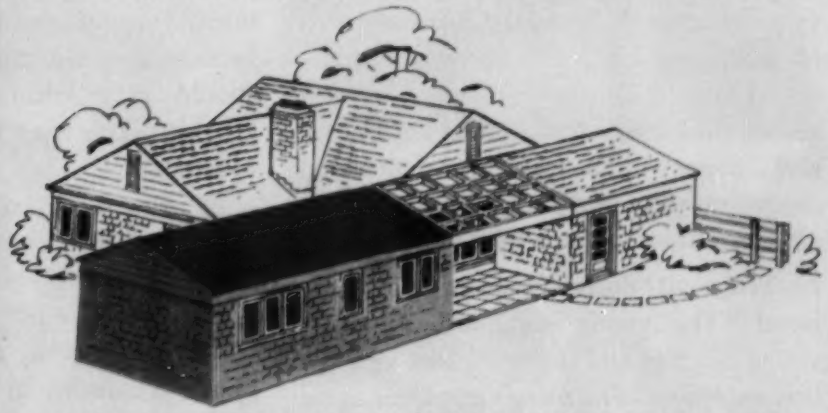
Bedroom wings easy to expand

Many families out-children their homes, but prefer not to move. The simple addition of a bedroom often is the answer. The sleeping area of this house was typical—all three bedrooms and the single bath opened from a small hall. Bedrooms were cramped with two children, bath never seemed free for morning dressing, evening primping. And there wasn't enough room for Mom and Dad to escape living room activities when they wanted quiet.

The new suite added here was built onto the end of the existing bedrooms; or it could be added easily behind the house if your lot is narrow. Access is made by building a wall along existing room to form a hall; plumbing lines are tied into existing supply and drainage systems. And if storage is a problem for you, be sure to add general purpose closets.

The "extra" room here helps take the pressure off the rest of the house for individual activities. Youngsters with their own rooms have space enough for study and hobbies, as well as privacy for sleeping. Parents have space farther removed from the noisy areas of the house, and can "escape" here for reading, their own TV programs, sewing, or an at-home business desk. And Dad can take that Sunday nap undisturbed.

Bring privacy with an addition



An extra bedroom was badly needed in this two-bedroom house. But that was only part of the problem. Also missing was a second living area. The solution to both parts of the needed expansion was the addition of a whole quiet wing for the parents. The living room was made more informal, with all children welcome there at any hour of the day.

The new addition has a master bedroom-bath arrangement and a small sitting room where the parents can retreat. The sitting room is the right size for their quiet evening activities; the size also guarantees its quietness because it isn't large enough for children's play. The new wing was aligned with the garage so that there's a good spot for a sheltered patio.

This type of an addition would also be suitable for a grandparent joining the family, making unnecessary a move to a larger house. With an outside door, this wing could be almost a separate apartment.

The plan and drawing show how the addition was integrated into existing walls and roof lines to make the new wing harmonious. The patio's overhead grille helps visually to tie the wing to the garage.

Financing plans for larger loans

There are three chief ways to finance a major addition to your home. Your choice will depend on several factors, including your income, the type of mortgage you now have, and the amount of money you need to borrow.

1—"Open end" readvance. Many recent mortgages have an "open-end" clause that permits reborrowing as much as the difference between the amount of the original mortgage and your present balance. You can borrow at the same interest rate as your mortgage and without a large closing cost. The money can be repaid either of two ways: by increasing your payments or by extending your present payments.

If your mortgage does not have this open-end provision, you can negotiate to get it converted to such a plan.

2—FHA modernization loans. These are now available up to $3500 for as long as five years. The fee is $5 per $100 of loan up to $2500, and $4 per $100 over that amount.

But this fee is charged on the total loan, so that it actually amounts to a true annual interest rate of ten per cent (or $5 per $100).

3—Refinancing your present mortgage. This means getting an entirely new mortgage to replace your present one. It will entail paying the current interest rate, which may be higher than your present mortgage and usually requires closing costs and a title search.

This method has the advantage of spreading the payments over a long period of time.

How to go about getting a loan

In recent weeks, *Better Homes & Gardens* has had many discussions about the expansion needs of American families—with lenders, government officials, and appraisers. From these, we selected tips and guides that can help achieve your expansion hopes while minimizing financial risks. You can tailor your loan application along the lines of the lender's criteria:

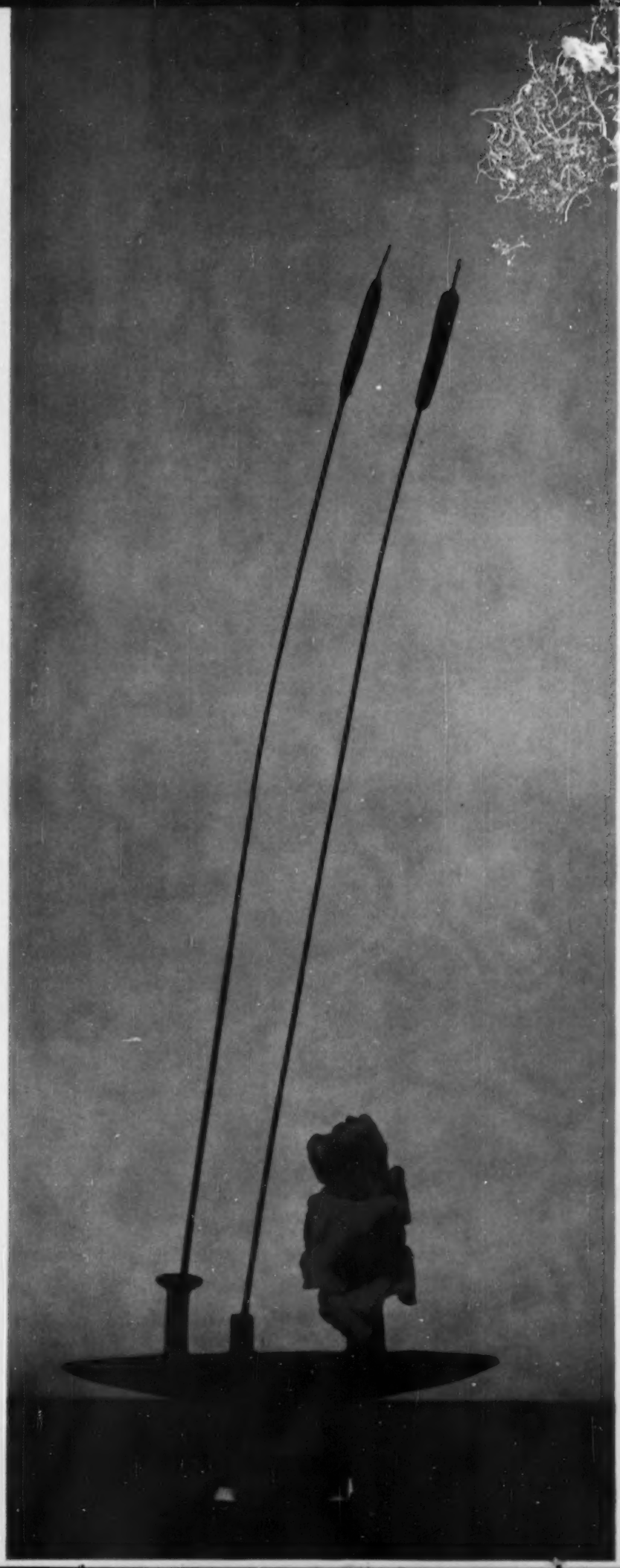
1—They will consider your neighborhood. The young neighborhood, with young families and newer houses, gets the best reception. The more varied the value of the homes in a neighborhood, the better. The extent of the zoning is also an important consideration.

2—They'll consider the kind of improvement. Lenders and appraisers look for remodeling that will add new house appeal and livability for top market value. For top "finance-ability," improvements need to be functional and readily apparent, like an extra bedroom or bath, instead of primarily decorative.

3—They'll consider the extent of improvement. Many lenders still have arbitrary percentage limits on expansions because they feel that your home's value should stay within the neighborhood brackets. This may be your toughest nut to crack.

In general, if you can show that your neighborhood is unscarred by commercial intrusion, is protected by adequate zoning, and doesn't lie in the path of logical business or highway expansion, lenders are likely to consider improvement a safe investment. Even many older neighborhoods are taking on a fresh new look because of the scarcity of convenient building sites, despite the fears of lenders and appraisers about the potential decline.

For even more remodeling ideas, you can get information—and personal help—from your local *Better Homes & Gardens* Idea Center dealer. A list of the dealers in your area appeared in the January, 1961, issue.



The Colonel is a flower arranger

By Fae Huttenlocher

IN 1957, the most revered flower arrangers of Japan, for the first time in the history of their art, invited an Occidental to attend the "hundred-man exhibit"—the greatest honor an arranger can receive. He was Norman J. Sparnon, above, a former Australian Army Colonel and Japanese language expert who, only 13 years before, had served with American combat units through the bitter island-hopping campaigns of the South Pacific. He had acted as interrogator in the War Crimes Trials and been decorated by both the Australian and American armies. Just what paradox led Colonel Sparnon to gain such stature in one of the ancient arts of his former adversaries? His outstanding talent in modern Sogetsu arrangements—like the exotic black-lacquered cattails leaning over a gladiolus stalk, left—led to wide recognition.

Colonel Sparnon, creator of these dramatic arrangements, began to study the floral art while he was a civilian in General MacArthur's headquarters in Japan. His wife, who was taking lessons in the Sogetsu school, had difficulty interpreting her teacher's instructions. The colonel was pressed into service. Soon he became convinced that this art was one of Japan's most exportable assets, and that it could draw the West and East into a better understanding of one another's cultures.

To gain insight into the art of arranging, he delved deeply into the classical Ikenobo school, in much the same spirit a painter might perfect himself in fundamental techniques. He very shortly earned the title of "master" in both the classical and modern schools.

Most important, he became an acknowledged leader in the dynamic movement that was sweeping the Japanese flower world—an abstract interpretation of the once-formalized art. As a member-at-large of Ikebana International, he is rapidly gaining world-wide fame.

A typical example of Sparnon's dramatic, different style is seen at right in his arrangement which combines one aspidistra leaf, a cattail, and one white chrysanthemum. Classical flower arrangers look in vain for "heaven, man, and earth." They aren't there!

The colonel, a student of the renowned Teshigahara, relies instead on line, design, and good balance to achieve visual impact.

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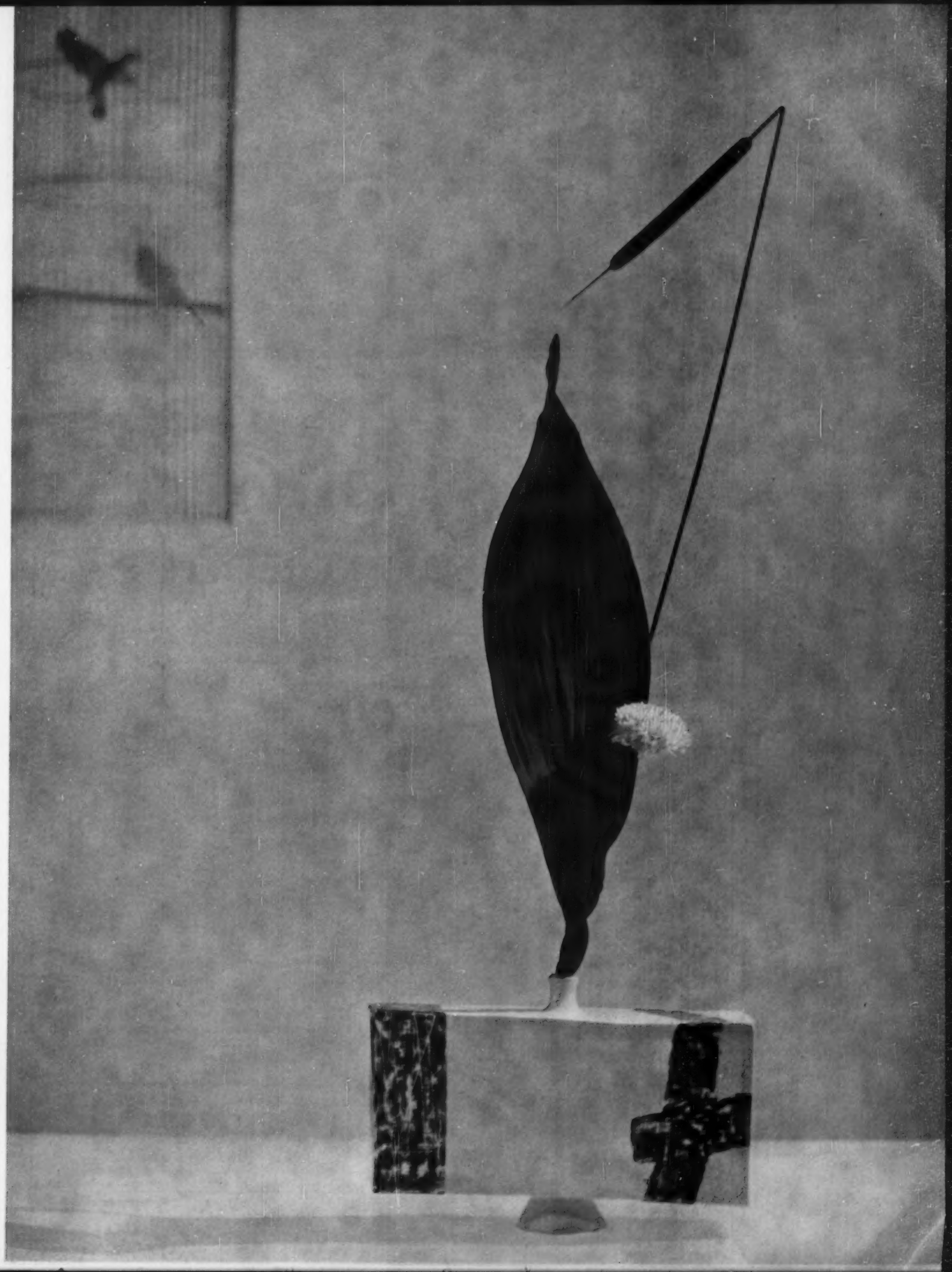
"Such stuff as dreams are made of," the midnight fantasy, above, is made of bittersweet, stripped of leaves, twisted into a free-form while green, then dried. Wisteria can be substituted. One perfect yellow rose, leaning slightly forward, gives depth to the arrangement. Vine is placed upright.

"The shape of things to come" features a container, that may look to us like a walking doughnut, but was designed by one of Japan's foremost ceramic artists. Two pandanus leaves form a silhouette of "Harvey-like" ears, and five chrysanthemums soften the strong focal point of container.



The serenity of the inside shows in the home's peaceful street-side exterior. Wood slat fence screens the house itself, yet lets breezes through.

Parents and children live together in peace

The planned-for-a-family zoning is obvious in this hard-working house

FORMAL ZONE (Red) This part has the living-dining room and master bedroom—with outdoor areas opening from both. This zone is farthest from street noises. And just look at that long, long bedroom closet!

BUFFER ZONE (Blue) The entry hall and kitchen separate the other two zones and provide a control center for the whole house. Incoming traffic is separated at the entry for all three zones.

INFORMAL ZONE (Orange) Here, the children take over. The family room does everything: Living-dining-TV. The divided bath can take the morning rush from both the "dorms" without a hitch.

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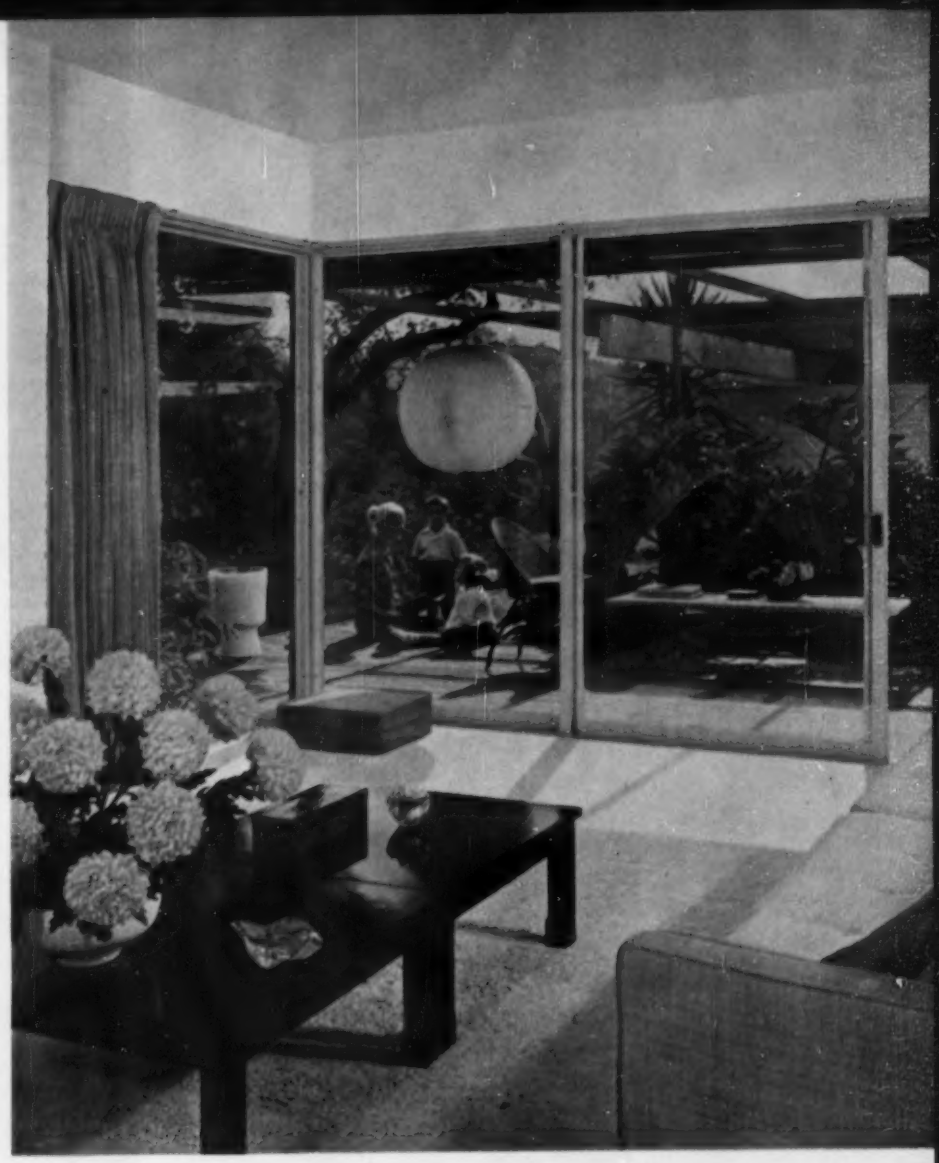
The glass end of the living room lets it blend with the outdoor living area. A sliding glass door permits easy access to the floor-level redwood deck.

This part of the formal zone is furnished for adult comfort. In a house like this, furniture and colors can be chosen without fear of the extra wear and tear that children so often dish out. The draperies pull to the corner to give complete privacy in the living room.



By John Normile, A.I.A.

We all love our families—but not buzzing around us every single minute of the day and night. That's why we selected this house as our Five Star Home for March. It gives both children and parents the option of being together or by themselves. And, this works both inside and out.

The key to the tranquillity of this home is the way it's zoned. Every one of the 1,890 square feet is in exactly the right place.

The house was designed by George Bissell, Jr., of Bissell and Duquette, A.I.A., for his own family in Covina, California. The kitchen is its nerve center, with modern appliances and an intercom to make large-family supervision as easy as possible.

Next to the kitchen is the family room—headquarters for both children and parents. Here, any member can "join the group." Or, when there's homework to be done or anyone craves peace and quiet, he can retreat to his own part of the house.

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Photographs: de Gennaro

A change in levels and clever plantings make the outdoor living area look much better than would a large expanse of unbroken "floor" surface.

The living room was planned to let all the furniture make the most of both this handsome fireplace and the glass wall in the photograph above. The dining area of this room is just out of the picture at left—it was not separated from the living area, since it's reserved for entertaining.

The parents' bedroom and bath are just beyond the dining area; the bath serves as a powder room for company.

Blooming borders don't just happen- *they're planned!*

By Larry Grove

FOR MORE ENJOYMENT of your garden and outdoor living areas, plan now to have a full season of flower borders in bloom. You will get as much pleasure out of planning and planting the flower border as an artist does in painting a landscape. And, you can see exciting results just in a matter of weeks from the time you start. Plus—you'll have a parade of flowers month after month, year after year.

Flower borders are most useful where they can be enjoyed from your favorite windows, from the outdoor living area, and from the street. Outdoors, you'll get fullest enjoyment from a flower border along the terrace or patio close to where you sit. Regardless of where you locate your living picture, you'll find the ideas shown here helpful in achieving the border you want—be it large or small.

You have a choice of an all-perennial border, all-annual border, or a combination of annuals and perennials. A perennial border planned with spaces for grouping annual flowers for all-season bloom provides opportunity each year for a new panorama of color.

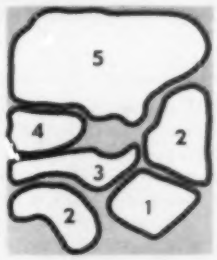
Basic points in planning a border are simple. First, fit groups of each kind of flower together like flagstones. Large, simple masses of color are more effective than a salt-and-pepper effect.

Locate tallest flowers at the rear of the border; then plant intermediate ones in front of them, followed by low edging kinds. When in doubt about the effect of two colors side by side, plant white flowers between them.

With a sunny spot, good humusy soil, plant food, and water—you'll soon be enjoying a lush border like one of these.

Photograph: de Gennaro. Landscape architect: Joseph Copp, Jr. Produced by Fleets Brownell Woodroffe

For a rocky border, select short flowers to achieve charming informality



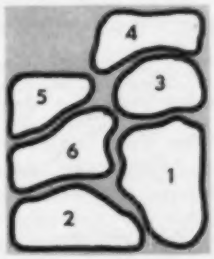
	Height	Time	Exposure
1 Candytuft	6"-12"	June-July	Sun
2 Dianthus	12"-14"	Spring-late summer	Sun
3 Verbena*	6"-12"	June-frost	Sun
4 Johnny jump-ups	6"-10"	May-fall	Sun—part shade
5 Blue Marguerite (Felicia)	12"-20"	Spring-frost	Sun—part shade

*Annual

Suter, Hedrich-Blessing

Space spike flowers throughout a border to give interesting accents

	Height	Time	Exposure
1 Astilbe Fanal	24"-36"	Early summer	Sun—part shade
2 Dianthus Lacy Lass	12"-14"	June-July	Sun
3 Salvia Purple Glory	30"	May-frost	Sun
4 Delphinium	60"	Early-late summer	Sun
5 Shasta Daisy Esther Reed	18"	June-October	Sun
6 Hybrid tea rose	24"-40"	June-frost	Sun



Suter, Hedrich-Blessing

For a fanfare of bloom, combine midseason flowering daylilies with phlox

	Height	Time	Exposure
1 Perennial phlox	30"-38"	Summer-fall	Sun—part shade
2 Daylily Blythe Spirit	32"	Midseason variety	Sun—part shade
3 Daylily Porcelain Rose	25"	Midseason variety	Sun—part shade

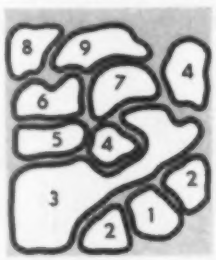
Blythe Spirit stays open all night and all day until it fades. Garden of Hubert Fischer, Hinsdale, Illinois.

Photograph: Lisanti. Produced by Fleete Brownell Woodroffe

Use a border combination such as this one for lush growth and a riot of color

	Height	Time	Exposure
1 Sweet Alyssum*	4"-10"	Spring-frost	Sun
2 Ageratum*	4"-6"	Spring-frost	Sun
3 Sweet William	12"-24"	June-July	Sun
4 Canterbury Bells	36"	June-July	Sun—part shade
5 Oenothera	18"-24"	May-June	Sun
6 Columbine	18"-30"	May-June	Part shade
7 Iris (bearded)	20"-36"	May	Sun
8 Lythrum	36"-48"	June-September	Sun
9 Baby's-Breath	30"-36"	June-July	Sun

*Annuals



dc Gennaro

When space is lacking, treat yourself to a border of vines along a fence

	Height	Time	Exposure
1 Clematis Montana	15'-20'	Spring	Part shade
2 Clematis Jackmani	10'-15'	June-September	Shade

Other vines you can use to make your fence border gay with color are wisteria, trumpet vine, and everblooming honeysuckle. Or use such annual vines as morning-glories and scarlet runner.

Lisanti

To give sparkle to your border, select white flowers to group at intervals

	Height	Time	Exposure
1 Zinnias*	18"-24"	Summer-frost	Sun
2 Phlox (early, late)	36"-48"	Summer-fall	Sun—part shade
3 Climbing rose	10'-15'	June-September	Sun

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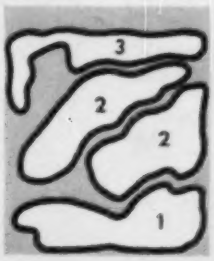


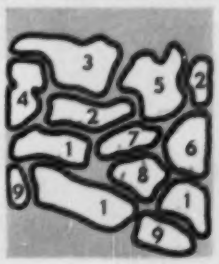
Use of white phlox, shown in the foreground, gives refreshing relief from the dark red-purplish foliage of the maple and the red of the Blaze rose.

James Hamlin. Owners: Mr. and Mrs. Rudolf Schreier, Palatine, Illinois

Plan a deep, full-scale border for a continuous succession of colorful bloom

	Height	Time	Exposure
1 Petunias*	18"	Summer-frost	Sun
2 Phlox	36"-48"	Summer-fall	Sun—part shade
3 Lythrum	36"-48"	June-September	Sun
4 Geraniums	12"-20"	Spring-frost	Sun
5 Lilies	36"-48"	July-August	Sun—part shade
6 Veronica	24"	July-September	Sun
7 Yarrow	36"	June-September	Sun
8 Dwarf Dahlias	20"-30"	Late spring-frost	Sun
9 Artemisia	8"		Sun

*Annuals



HANG IT ALL!

Yes! Everything from buffets to wastepaper baskets

By Florence Byerly

Don't have room to turn around in? Then it's time to put your walls to work. And much of the new furniture is designed to do just that.

Think of the many advantages of wall-hung furniture: it speeds up your housecleaning; it gives your rooms a lighter, more spacious look; and best of all, you can actually put more furniture in your rooms.

On page 122, we explain all the different ways to hang furniture.

Photographs: left, Lisanti, at Jordan Marsh, Boston; above, Suter, Hedrich-Blessing

Heavy buffet looks long and slim

← A wall-hung buffet is ideal in a small dining area which already is cluttered with many table and chair legs. This buffet appears to float in space, helping the small room to look more open and spacious.

Be sure you've measured for the right spot and height before your handyman starts to work. Change your mind afterward, and you'll have a few wall holes to patch.

Cabinets, shelves, table go up a wall

A large wall area, from the floor almost to the ceiling, is put to good use here. Shelves and cabinets are hooked into vertical wood strips and can be easily rearranged or completely removed. →

The wall-hung table drops down to reveal a shallow cabinet. Its underside is decorated with a picture to make it attractive even when folded up.

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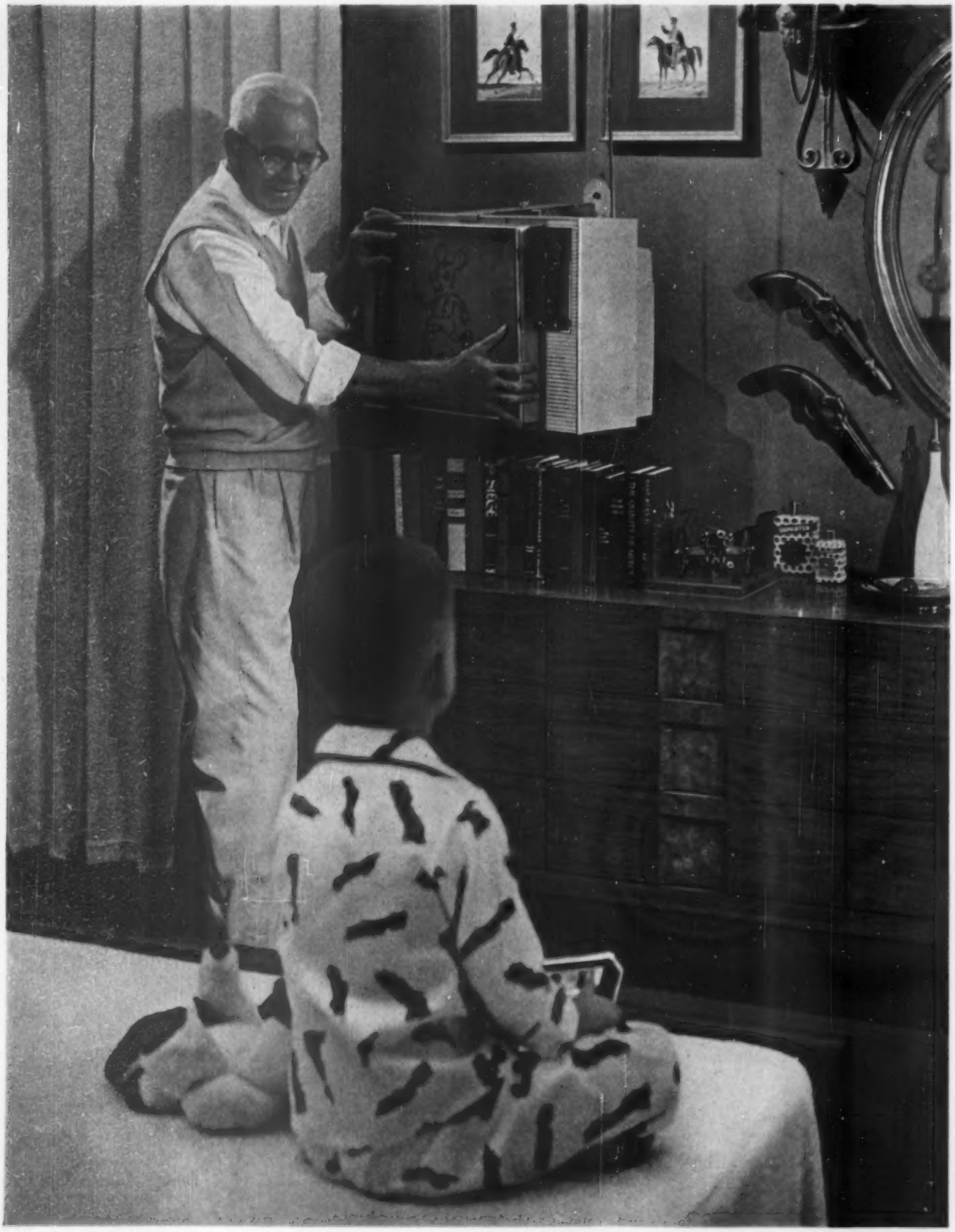
Lots of advantages if you HANG IT ON THE WALL!



Wall-hung headboards—a space saver

Headboards to be screwed onto the wall come in many styles, from elegant Victorian to tailored Contemporary. With a wall-hung headboard, use a metal frame to hold box spring and mattress. Most new bed frames have casters which lock with the weight of someone in bed. A wall-hung headboard can save up to 8 inches around bed.

Here, one rail holds it all!

These metal bins and shelves simply hook over a grooved wood cleat. A screwdriver is the only tool needed for the installation. The metal components are lightweight, easy to handle, and almost indestructible, making them especially good furniture pieces for children's rooms. Hook-on mirror-vanity shelves, bulletin boards, and electric light bars also are available.

Photographs: Hulin, Alderman Studios, Lisanti

Tiny room? Hang up a bedside cabinet

Always banging your shins because your bedroom is too crowded? Then hang up the nightstands as well as the headboard, and you'll have plenty of foot room. Maybe you will make enough space for a move-about table which can double as a bench and a luggage rack. A nightstand like this could serve as an end table in the living room, too.

Wall bracket holds swivel TV

A cantilevered television lets you use the floor space below for furniture. And what's more, you can angle the set in any direction for more comfortable viewing. In your bedroom, hang the TV high and use remote control for lazy lie-in-bed viewing. Here, hanging up the TV freed the dresser top for books and other accessories.

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The Plain Dirt Gardener tackles his spring lawn

By Harry O'Brien

I like to get busy with my first lawn chores by the end of February or the first week in March. And thanks to new lawn foods, pest controls, and power lawn equipment, the job isn't what it used to be. If you want a lawn as nice as mine, just follow the methods that I tell about here.

My first job is a good cleanup

This really improves appearance and allows me to push the spreader around the yard easily. With a broom-type rake, I give the lawn a thorough brushing to raise any matted grass and to remove accumulated leaves and dead clippings.

I use my handy wheelbarrow to carry debris I've raked up, including sticks and bones that our pup, Wag, brought in.

Patching is an annual event

Every spring, I always seem to find patches of grass that failed to come through the winter. Even after a good fall raking, some leaves remain to smother the grass, and in years of heavy snowfall, snowmold always seems to creep in.

The small spots are easily fixed up by removing the dead sod, lightly working up the compacted soil beneath it, then laying new healthy sod that has been stripped from the edges of my flower beds. Usually I just firm the new sod with my foot to make good contact with the soil, rather than breaking out the lawn roller for such small areas.

Larger areas are much easier to reseed than sod, but it naturally requires a little more effort to prepare the bare soil for the seed. I use a two-pronged hoe for scratching up the smaller spots, but for the larger ones, I work the soil with a rotary tiller, just like building an entirely new lawn. I level the soil with my steel rake, making sure no low spots remain—then broadcast fresh seed of permanent grasses over the entire area. Applying moisture without washing the seed away is the tough part, but I've licked that problem by using a sprinkler that gives off a fine spray. And I make sure it's kept moist until the seed sprouts.

If your grass is just thin, the best treatment you could give it is a good feeding.

Weeds were once a headache

Controlling weeds in the lawn is one of my pet projects. As soon as the snow is gone, I apply a good pre-emergence crab grass killer with my lawn food spreader. This knocks out the seed before it has a chance to start growing. You'll have a tough time finding any crab grass in my lawn.

Avoid applying these killers on any newly seeded area or where you plan to seed, as it will retard germination of desirable grass seed. You can control crab grass later in these plots with a killer designed to catch young seedlings. Always follow the directions of the manufacturer when using any weed killers—remember, they are poisonous.

Broadleaf weeds, like dandelions, are easily killed with 2,4-D. Where you have an extra heavy crop of any weeds, a mixture of 2,4-D and 2,4,5-T is usually more effective. I find that fall, just after a hard, killing frost, is a real good time to spray for dandelion seedlings that are still growing. These young seedlings are hardy and frost resistant and will continue to thrive, even after frosts occur. There is less chance of injury to your ornamental garden plants and desirable grasses at this time since they will have hardened-up in preparation for the coming winter.

All good weed control programs should also include regular feeding, mowing, and watering; a healthy, vigorous turf will crowd out weeds.

Drawings: Bob O'Reilly

Regular mowing is essential

Over the years, I've found that regular mowing helps make a healthy, uniform turf. Begin mowing as soon as an inch can be cut off. When the grass grows fast, mow twice a week. I don't collect the clippings, unless they are thick.

For three years, I've had a riding power mower. Our lot is large. The mower is set to cut bluegrass at 1½ inches.

I always feed my lawn well

I believe that regular feeding is most important. The lawn food I use contains the new ureaform nitrogen, which is slowly released during the season. It usually keeps the lawn in good shape until September—time for a fall feeding.

I always make sure that the numbers on the dial of my spreader match those given on the lawn food bag.

Moisture keeps a lawn lush

Maintaining a dense, green lawn all season long will require supplemental moisture, unless you have an unusually rainy season. Many grasses, especially Kentucky bluegrass, suffer from drouth. During real dry spells, it will turn a light brown, but just a little moisture will green it up fast. When you see it starting to turn brown, give it a good long drink.

When applying supplemental water, saturate the soil at least 6 inches deep. Usually the equivalent of 1 inch of water a week during dry spells will keep the grass green. Some soils will require more, especially sandy ones.

You can measure the amount you are applying by placing a pan within range of the sprinkler. When there's an inch of water in it, you'll know when to stop. If you keep track of the time it takes to get an inch in the pan, it will be easier to water next time, just by watching the clock.

Light sprinkling by hand with a hose is not desirable as it encourages shallow rooting of the grass, then when drouth hits, the grass won't have a chance. (It encourages crab grass, too.) Deep watering encourages deep rooting—more drouth-resistant turf. When you buy a sprinkler, get a good one that you know will do the job you want it to. There are kinds for just about all situations.

This is quite a kitchen!

By Betty Ray

It just radiates happy living! So why not copy our ideas to make your kitchen warm and wonderful, too. Yes, *Better Homes & Gardens* editors planned every inch of it to show you how you can combine comfort and convenience in a kitchen your whole family will enjoy.

Just look at all the activities that can go on here—and each out of the way of the other. There's an eating area that's also a place to relax or watch TV, a cooking center with storage and counter space galore, a laundry behind folding doors, play space for children, a sewing center, and even an "office" desk.

This kitchen also has a friendliness that makes it a place you and your family like to be, where guests feel at home. Lively colors, stained glass, rich wood, showy accessories carry out our Old English theme. Check details to get an inspiration for your own kitchen.

Baby's with you, but not underfoot. Built-in gates at ends of island counters turn laundry into play space. Venting grille above refrigerator-freezer makes it look built in. No defrosting chore ever. Other work-savers: dishwasher, waste disposer.

Photographs: Suter, Hedrich-Blessing

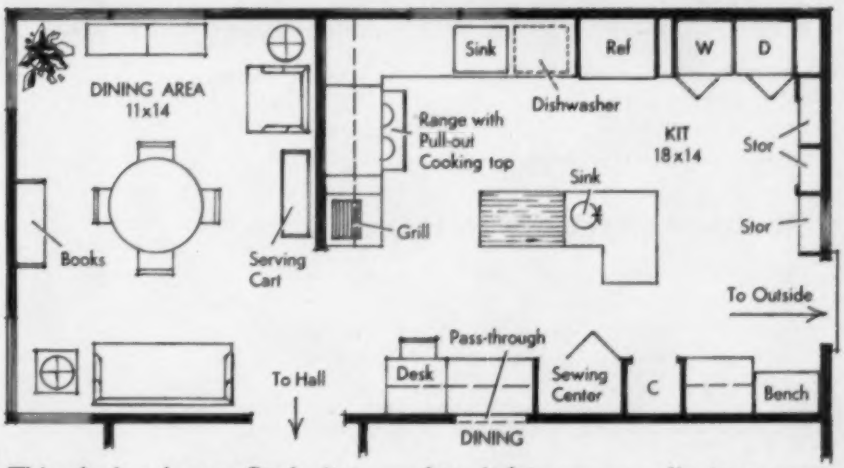
Everyone feels welcome here. Friends love to stop for coffee; Dad and the kids can talk about their day as you cook. Dinner over—get out games!

Divider-wall routes traffic, hides kitchen clutter from table, puts the barbecue grill and electric range with its eye-level ovens near your table.

Built-in spice cabinet is a joy.

It's just a step from the range to the sink or refrigerator. Island with its own round sink gives you elbowroom to fix beverages or toss salad. Counter-top maple cutting board speeds chopping.

Although range looks built in, it isn't. Oven door glides up, out of way. Cooking top disappears when not in use.



This plan's a honey. Study it to see how it lets you co-ordinate so many jobs, yet keeps each in separate areas. Island helps organize kitchen, is a hub of activity. Notice how traffic to outside door bypasses work area.

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ITALIAN FOOD AMERICANS LOVE!

PIZZA

By Myrna Johnston

A PIZZA APIECE makes a whole party or a little supper; snipped in narrow wedges, it turns into a tempting hot appetizer or late-evening snack. No wonder pizza is already as American as apple pie—it fits right into our scheme of easygoing meals. Any pizza will taste twice as good with a spirited topper—see the pinwheel of choices at right. Each filling is different—mix-match the trims to suit yourself. What about other favorites like Spaghetti and Meat Balls? Lasagne? Chicken Cacciatora? We give our best recipes for these and many more.

(clockwise) →

Salami Pizza with rickrack crust

Easy as mix, this tomato pie! Packaged pizza contains the flour mix and yeast for crust, a can of pizza sauce for filling (add snippets of salami and shake on grated Parmesan cheese). Trim with salami cornucopias.

Pepperoni ring—hot-roll-mix crust

The Pepperoni Filling is made of seasoned tomato sauce from a can and spiked with anise seed, crushed oregano, and garlic. Mozzarella-cheese slices, under the sausage coins, are all deliciously melted into one big wheel.

From-a-tube pizza with anchovies

No crust to roll—you simply *unroll* and stretch it when you open the refrigerated package. The tube also includes a can of tomato sauce. We added Mozzarella cheese, and for that custom look, anchovy fillets in a spiral.

Recipe-collector's Sausage Pizza

This is our favorite way for pizza from scratch. The filling, hotted up with Italian-style sausage, boasts chunks of canned tomatoes plus tomato paste. Serve pizza with tossed green salad and a cheese-and-fruit-tray dessert.

Friday Pizza, mushroom loaded!

Crunchy bits of onion and green pepper join canned mushrooms and pizza sauce. Pickled-pepper cuts center the Mozzarella triangles. Crust from biscuit mix and yeast.

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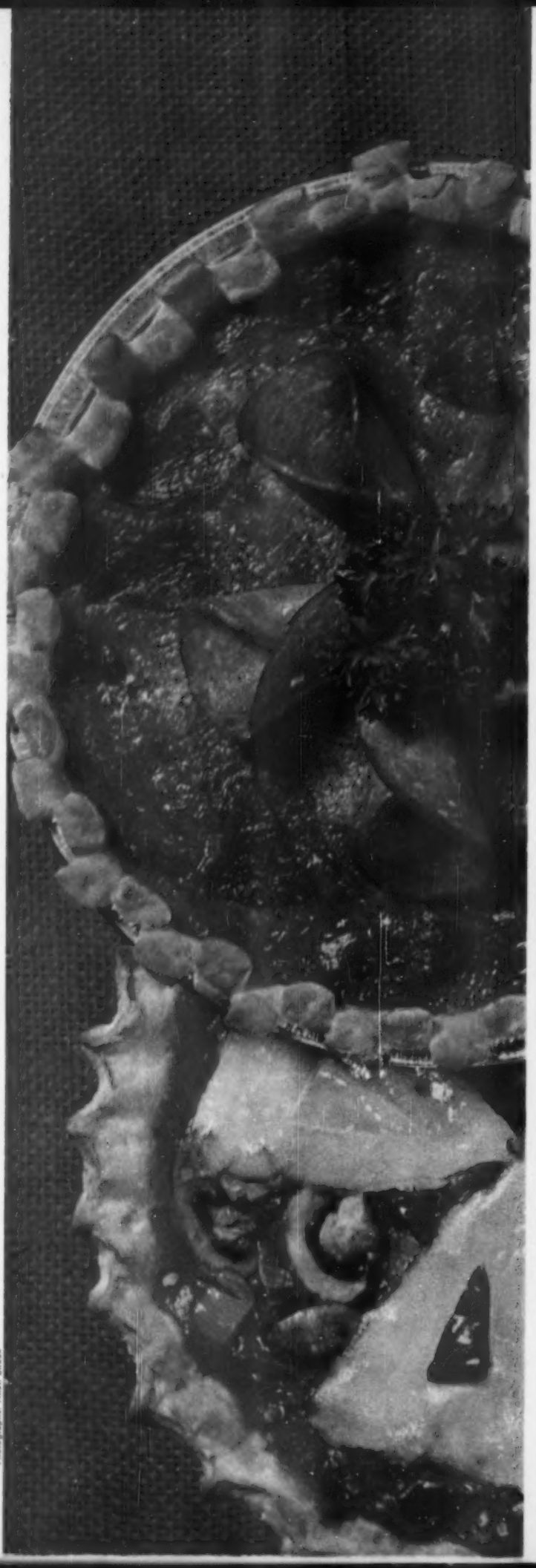

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CHICKEN CACCIATORA

1 Heat the olive oil in a large skillet; when the oil is hot enough to sizzle a drop of water, add the chicken pieces and brown slowly, turning once with tongs.

Remove chicken from skillet, and cook onions and garlic in the oil until tender, but not brown. Combine the remaining ingredients, except cooking wine, for sauce.

MAYBE YOU KNOW this Italian specialty as Chicken, Hunter Style—that's what Pollo alla Cacciatora, its real name, means. Like the Hills of Rome, this recipe has been famous a long, long time. Here we give the popular tomato-sauce version of southern Italy. Serve with hot noodles or spaghetti sprinkled with Parmesan cheese. Add a salad of marinated artichoke hearts.

Young chicken takes on mellow flavor as it cooks in a well-herbed sauce. Here are ingredients for 4 to 6 servings—follow the picture directions—

¼ cup olive oil
1 2½- to 3-pound ready-to-cook broiler-fryer chicken, cut up
2 medium onions, cut in ¼-inch slices
2 cloves garlic, minced
. . .
1 1-pound can (2 cups) tomatoes
1 8-ounce can (1 cup) seasoned tomato sauce
1 teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon pepper
½ teaspoon celery seed
1 teaspoon crushed oregano or basil
1 or 2 bay leaves
. . .
¼ cup cooking sauterne

Photographs: Allen Snook

2 Return the browned chicken to the skillet and add the sauce mixture. Cover the pan and simmer 45 minutes—be careful not to let the sauce bubble hard.

Time to stir in the cooking wine. Now cook the chicken uncovered, turning occasionally, 20 minutes more or until fork-tender and the sauce looks like chili sauce.

3 Discard bay leaves and skim off excess fat. Arrange chicken on a warm platter and ladle sauce over. Italian pickled peppers make gay, zesty trim. Artichoke Salad: Chill cooked frozen artichoke hearts (or use canned) in garlic dressing. Serve atop red-onion slices and romaine.

Accessories by Fee Hutteslocher

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LASAGNE

FOR A CASUAL BUFFET, you can't do better than a luscious Lasagne Casserole. Festive looking and fragrant with Italian-style seasonings, it's made of layers of lasagne (giant noodles) and rich meat sauce *plus* three kinds of cheese. There need be no hustle-bustle after guests arrive—the casserole can be assembled early and refrigerated until baking time (allow 15 minutes or so longer in oven). Since baked lasagne needs a "rest" before serving (see recipe), you have a chance to relax, and perhaps offer a first course like antipasto.

Antipasto Garden—table drama with Italian artistry. In the picture, we've Americanized antipasto (means "before meal") to serve as salad relishes instead of appetizer. A cabbage, stem end trimmed off, makes a pincushion in which to anchor the relishes, each on long toothpick or bamboo skewer. Let these grow in profusion: green and ripe olives, pickled artichoke hearts and peppers, celery, carrot sticks, cherry tomatoes, green onions, lemon cuts. Hide base with salami and red-onion rings.

Lasagne Casserole

Meat Sauce

1 pound Italian sausage
1 clove garlic, minced
1 tablespoon whole basil
1½ teaspoons salt
1 1-pound can (2 cups) tomatoes
2 6-ounce cans (1⅓ cups) tomato paste

Brown meat slowly; spoon off fat. Add remaining ingredients. Simmer uncovered ½ hour—stir now and then.

Lasagne: Cook 10 ounces lasagne or wide noodles till tender in large amount boiling salted water—this may take 15 to 20 minutes. Drain; rinse in cold water.

Cheese Filling

3 cups fresh Ricotta or creamy cottage cheese
½ cup grated Parmesan or Romano cheese
2 tablespoons parsley flakes
2 beaten eggs
2 teaspoons salt
½ teaspoon pepper
1 pound Mozzarella cheese, sliced very thin

Mix first 6 ingredients. Place *half* the cooked noodles in a 13x9x2-inch baking dish; spread with *half* the Cheese Filling; cover with *half* the Mozzarella cheese and *half* the Meat Sauce. Repeat layers. Bake in moderate oven (375°) 30 minutes. Before cutting in squares, let stand 10 minutes—filling will set slightly. Makes 12 servings.

SPAGHETTI

NOTE OUR COVER, and follow suit for the best Spaghetti and Meat Balls you ever tasted! First, to do justice to spaghetti, take a tip from the guy in the picture, and add plenty of butter before saucing. With a fork in each hand, lift the long strands a few times, almost tossing—spaghetti must be hot-*hot* so the butter will melt all through and separate the pasta. Now on with the spicy sauce and a liberal scoopful of shredded Parmesan cheese. Some *flavor!* (Start the recipe for the Italian Meat Balls while the Spaghetti Sauce bubbles.)

Spaghetti Sauce

¾ cup chopped onion
1 clove garlic, minced
3 tablespoons olive oil
2 1-pound cans (4 cups) tomatoes
2 6-ounce cans (1⅓ cups) tomato paste
1 cup water
1 tablespoon sugar
1½ teaspoons salt
½ teaspoon pepper
1½ teaspoons crushed oregano
1 bay leaf

Cook onion and garlic in hot oil till tender but not brown; stir in remaining ingredients. Simmer uncovered 30 minutes; remove bay leaf. Add Italian Meat Balls (recipe opposite), cook 30 minutes longer. Makes 6 servings.

Italian Meat Balls

4 slices dry bread
1 pound ground beef
2 eggs
½ cup grated Parmesan or Romano cheese
2 tablespoons chopped parsley
1 clove garlic, minced
1 teaspoon crushed oregano or basil
1 teaspoon salt
Dash pepper
. . .
2 tablespoons olive oil

Soak bread in some water 2 or 3 minutes, then squeeze out moisture. Combine bread with remaining ingredients except oil, mixing well. Form in small balls (about 20). Brown slowly in hot oil. Add to Spaghetti Sauce, cook 30 minutes as in recipe at left. Serve over hot spaghetti.

How to cook spaghetti

Spaghetti and dainty spaghettini, macaroni and jumbo manicotti, fine noodles and lasagne are all forms of pasta; there are, of course, many other shapes and sizes. To cook any pasta, a *large* pan is important so there'll be room for the strands or pieces to be separate from each other as they tumble and toss in the boiling water. Be sure to use *lots of water*—3 quarts is a minimum for cooking 8 ounces of pasta—Italians often recommend 4 quarts. Add about 1 teaspoon salt for each quart of water. To help prevent sticking, you may [*Turn to page 93*

Photographs: Scott

H CROSS T BUNS

Yours for the baking—the prettiest, lightest buns that ever peeked out of an Easter basket. This recipe is traditional. See the quick versions, too.

- 2 packages active dry yeast
- ½ cup *warm* water
- ¼ cup milk, scalded
- ½ cup salad oil or melted shortening
- ⅓ cup sugar
- ¾ teaspoon salt
- 3½ to 4 cups sifted enriched flour
- ½ to 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 3 beaten eggs
- ⅔ cup currants

Soften active dry yeast in warm water. Combine milk, salad oil, sugar, and salt; cool to lukewarm. Sift together *1 cup of the flour* and the cinnamon; stir into milk mixture. Add eggs; beat well. Stir in softened yeast and currants. Add remaining flour (or a little more or less to make a soft dough), beating well.

Cover with damp cloth and let rise in warm place till double (about 1½ hours). Punch down and turn out on lightly floured surface. Cover and let rest 10 minutes. Shape in buns—see Picture 1.

Place on greased baking sheet, 1½ inches apart. Cover and let rise in warm place till almost double (about 1 hour). If desired, snip *shallow* cross in each bun with *sharp* scissors or knife. Brush tops with egg white. Bake in moderate oven (375°) 15 minutes or till done. See Picture 3 for frosting. Serve warm. Makes about 2 dozen.

Two short-cut recipes for Hot Cross Buns on page 71

1 Here's how for rolls of uniform size. After the dough has doubled, roll or pat it out on a lightly floured surface until ½ inch thick. Cut the dough in rounds with a floured 2½-inch biscuit cutter.

Shape buns with fingers and place on a greased baking sheet, about 1½ inches apart. Cover and let rise.

2 Each plump little roll gets a brush with slightly beaten egg white to give a shiny top. You'll have some egg white left over—save it to use in frosting later on.

For Easter, gently snip crosses in bun tops—just *shallow* cuts. Bake buns in moderate oven (375°) about 15 minutes or until lightly browned.

3 Remove buns to rack to cool slightly. Pipe frosting crosses on while buns are warm (mix about ¾ cup sifted confectioners' sugar with remaining egg white).

No pastry tube? Then roll a sheet of paper into a cone and fold top or tape side to fasten; cut off tip on slant to make small hole. Buns are best fragrant and warm.

3 souper supper loaves

Soup adds good flavor...soup saves you time

Cheeseburger Loaf. Mix 1 can Campbell's Cream of Mushroom Soup, 2 lbs. ground beef, ½ cup fine dry bread crumbs, ½ cup chopped onion, 2 tbsp. chopped parsley, 1 tbsp. Worcestershire, 1 slightly beaten egg, 1 tsp. salt, dash pepper; mix thoroughly; shape firmly into loaf; put in shallow baking pan. Bake in moderate oven (350°F) about 1 hour. Top with tomato slices and ½ cup shredded mild cheese. Bake 15 min. more. Serves 8 deliciously. Look for other wonderful recipes on every can of Campbell's Soup.

Tuna-Celery Loaf. Mix thoroughly two 7-oz. cans tuna (drained, flaked), 1 can Campbell's Cream of Celery Soup, 1 cup fine dry bread crumbs, 2 slightly beaten eggs, ½ cup chopped onion, 1 tbsp. lemon juice. Pack into well-greased loaf pan (9x5x3"). (Mixture is soft before baking.) Bake in moderate oven (375°F) about 1 hour. Cool 10 min.; loosen sides; turn out on platter. Sauce: Mix 1 can Campbell's Cream of Celery Soup, ½ to ½ cup milk; heat. Pour over loaf; top with pimiento strips. Serves 4 to 6.

Tomato-Ham Loaf. Thoroughly mix ½ cup Campbell's Tomato Soup, 1 lb. ground lean ham, ½ lb. ground lean pork, ½ cup fine dry bread crumbs, ½ cup minced onion, ¼ cup finely chopped celery, 1 slightly beaten egg, ½ tsp. dry mustard, dash pepper. Shape firmly into loaf; put in shallow baking pan. Dip 3 slices onion or green pepper in melted butter; press into loaf. Bake in moderate oven (350°F) about 1¼ hours. Sauce: Combine remaining soup with 2 tsp. prepared horseradish; heat. 6 souper servings.

Good things begin to happen when you cook with *Campbell's Soups*

Look what you can do with cling peaches and cottage cheese!
Dramatic...delectable...and one of the easiest ways imaginable to serve those all American favorites—canned cling peaches and cottage cheese.
Just combine 1 can peach halves (1 lb. 13 oz.), 2 tbsps. red cinnamon candies, 1 tbsp. lemon juice; let stand in refrigerator overnight or longer.
To serve: Place mound of cottage cheese in dish on lettuce leaf...try a tall stemmed glass for a really spectacular effect... then top with a sunset-tinted peach.
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Hot cross buns

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Speedy Hot Cross Buns

The short cut is hot-roll mix—

1 package hot-roll mix
2 tablespoons soft butter or margarine
2 tablespoons golden seedless raisins
2 tablespoons chopped mixed candied fruits and peels
⅛ cup sugar
1 teaspoon cinnamon
½ teaspoon nutmeg

Prepare dough from roll mix according to package directions, adding butter, raisins, and candied fruits to liquid mixture, and sugar and spices to dry ingredients. Be sure to mix dough well. Cover and let rise in warm place till double (about 1½ hours). Turn out on lightly floured surface and knead till smooth. Shape in 16 buns; place on lightly greased baking sheet. Cover and let rise till almost double (about 50 minutes). For a glaze, brush with 1 slightly beaten egg mixed with 1 tablespoon water. Bake in moderate oven (375°) 15 minutes or till done. Cool slightly; make crosses with Confectioners' Icing. Serve warm.

Confectioners' Icing: Add sufficient top milk or cream to 1 cup sifted confectioners' sugar to make of spreading consistency. Add dash of salt and ½ teaspoon vanilla.

Hurry-up Hot Cross Buns

Only one rising thanks to the biscuit mix and yeast team-up—

1 package active dry yeast *or* 1 cake compressed yeast
¾ cup water
1 egg yolk
2½ cups packaged biscuit mix
⅓ cup currants
2 tablespoons sugar
½ teaspoon cinnamon

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1 slightly beaten egg white
½ teaspoon vanilla
Sifted confectioners' sugar

Soften dry yeast in *warm* water or compressed yeast in *lukewarm* water. Add next 5 ingredients; beat vigorously 2 to 3 minutes. Turn out on surface well-dusted with biscuit mix. Knead till smooth, about 25 strokes. Roll out to ½ inch. Cut with floured 2½-inch biscuit cutter; shape in buns. Place in greased 11x7x1½-inch baking pan. Cover and let rise in warm place till almost double, 1 to 1¼ hours. Brush tops with slightly beaten egg white. Bake in hot oven (400°) 12 to 15 minutes or till done. Remove to cooling rack. Add vanilla and confectioners' sugar (about ¾ cup) to the remaining egg white; use as frosting for piping crosses on warm buns. Serve warm. Makes 1 dozen.

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Hot dip is what lets marshmallow creme slip off the spoon with the greatest of ease.

Dip tablespoon in *hot* water and let it remain there a few seconds until spoon is hot. Scoop up marshmallow creme from jar, using heated spoon. Now the fluffy marshmallow will slide right off the spoon—no sticking. Here we show marshmallow creme as a topper for chocolate ice cream.

Peter Rabbit Cake

This cake has so much eye appeal and is so delicious everyone loves it.

RECIPE—PETER RABBIT CAKE **1**—Bake confetti cake (mix). **2**—Prepare 2 boxes white fluffy frosting mix; tint ½ pink. Cut cake in two, fill with pink; frost with pink and white. **3**—Cut 1¾ x 1" oval peephole in each egg; drain; dip in dye. **4**—Each rabbit is 4 white 6" pipe cleaners: (a) loop 1st into M, turn ends out; (b) wrap 2nd at base of ears for head; (c) wrap 3rd, 4th to form body. **5**—Make thick powdered sugar icing (4 Tbs. per egg). On wax paper drop 2 Tbs. icing; hold shell upright in it till firm; put 2 Tbs. in shell; stick in rabbit. **6**—Put eggs on cake.

Another happy, family treat

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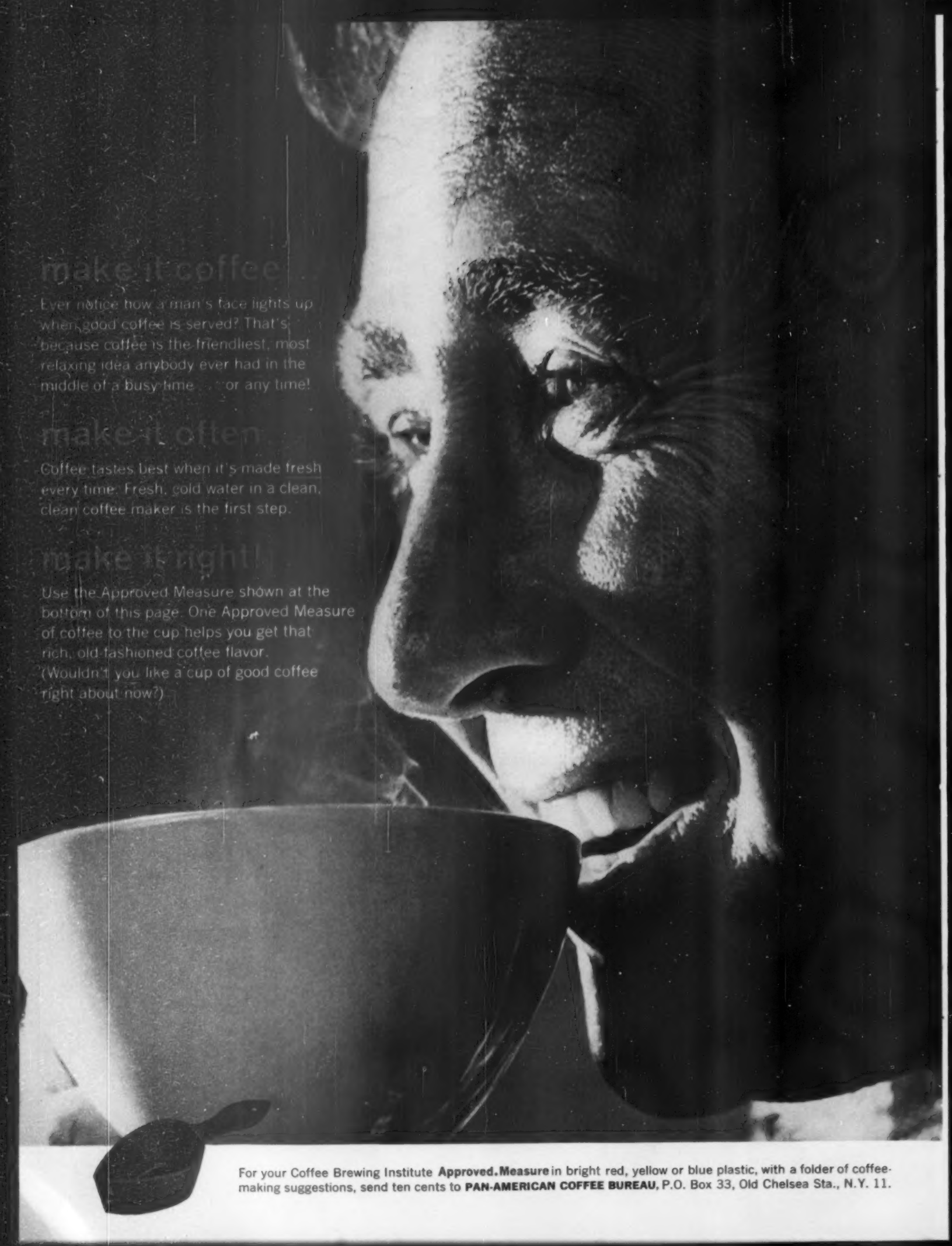
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Double view of a PASS-THROUGH

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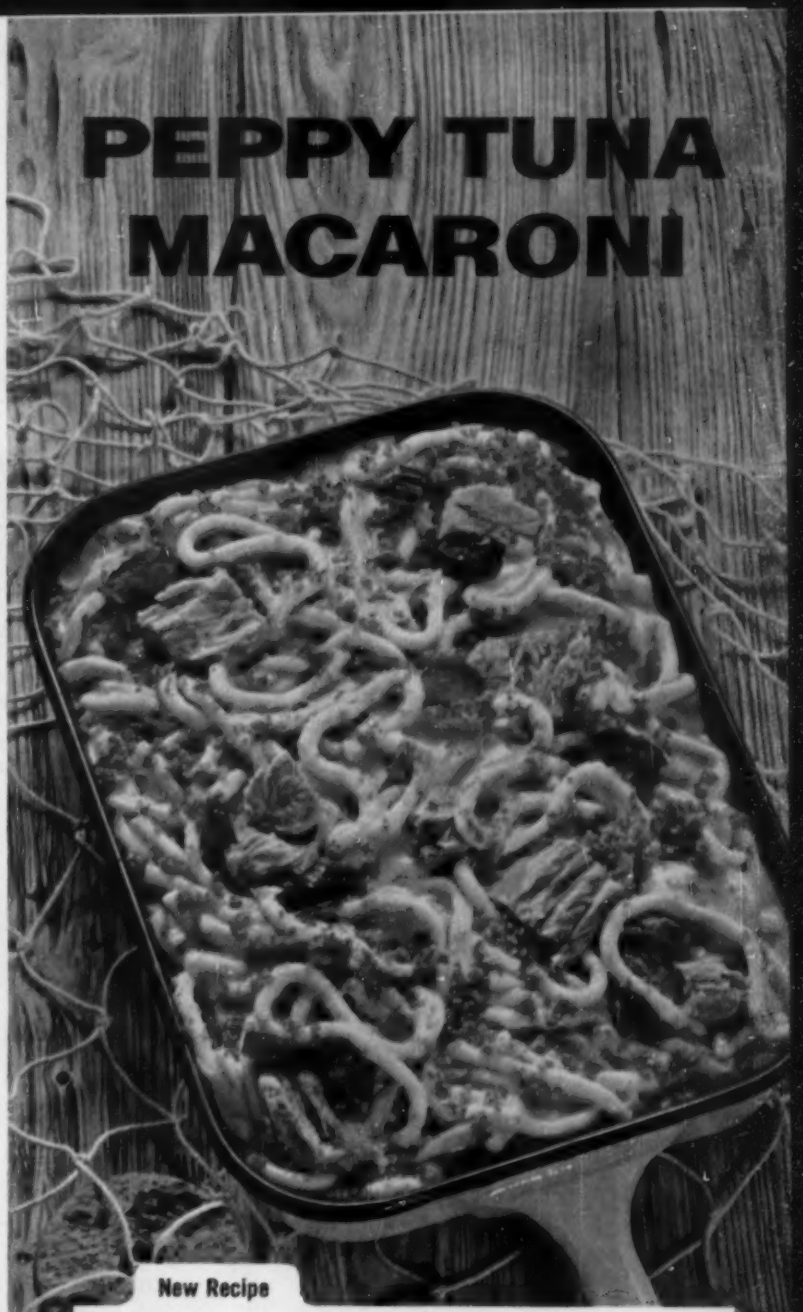
On the kitchen side, a wide wallpaper border surrounds the opening. The wrought-iron frames of the breakfast table and chairs harmonize with the fence design in the wallpaper. In addition to being a good step-saver, the pass-through helps this compact, narrow kitchen seem less crowded.

Decorator: James Adler, A.I.D. Data: Jessie Walker

The living-dining room side has two ideas to cover up kitchen clutter: shutters which are closed when the pass-through is not in use, and a little curtain which hides the dishes and the appliances on the kitchen table.

The curtain, hung on a spring-socket rod, is easily removed. The home of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Libman, Chicago, Illinois.



New Recipe

Saucy tuna casserole at a low net cost

When you have FRANCO-AMERICAN Macaroni on hand, already cooked in its own smooth rich cheese sauce, you can pop this peppy casserole into the oven in minutes.

In 1½-quart casserole, combine 2 cans Franco-American Macaroni, a 7-oz. can tuna (drained and flaked), 1 tbsp. chopped dill pickle, 1½ tsp. prepared mustard. Top with ¼ cup buttered bread crumbs. Bake at 400° F. for 20 minutes. (If you like, use a 7¾-oz. can of salmon in place of tuna.) 4 to 5 servings.

In recipes like this, or just as it comes from the can, you'll find thrifty Franco-American Macaroni easy to enjoy. Got plenty?

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Souffle with stamina

Introducing a new kind of cheese souffle—a sturdy one that poofs up and stays there! More accommodating than its airier cousin, this souffle will even wait for a family to gather. Note the simplified preparation method—no white sauce to make!

Photographs: Scott

Stand-up Cheese Souffle

There's lots of cheese flavor in each fluffy bite. An easy-to-make souffle—

1½ cups shredded natural Cheddar cheese
3 tablespoons butter or margarine
¾ cup boiling water

. . .

¾ cup sifted enriched flour
⅔ cup instant nonfat dry milk
1 teaspoon salt
Dash cayenne

. . .

4 eggs (at room temperature)
½ teaspoon cream of tartar

1 Here's how for the easy, no-cook cheese sauce that's the base for your souffle. Place cheese and butter in bowl, then stir in *boiling* water. Stir occasionally to help melt cheese.

Meanwhile, set oven at 325°, measure the dry ingredients into sifter. (The dry milk gives this souffle an extra bonus of protein.)

2 When cheese has melted (there still may be a few cheese flecks), sift dry ingredients on top. *Do not stir.* Separate eggs, putting the egg whites in a large bowl and the yolks right on top of the dry ingredients.

Beat egg whites with cream of tartar till stiff, but not dry, peaks form. Using same beater, beat cheese mixture till *smooth.*

3 Into beaten whites, gently but thoroughly fold cheese mixture, by thirds. Pour into an ungreased 2-quart souffle dish or casserole. Set in shallow pan; place in oven. Fill pan to 1 inch with *boiling* water. Bake in slow oven (325°) 50 to 60 minutes or till done. Serves 6.

Pass *Mushroom-Cheese Sauce:* Mix 1 can condensed cream of mushroom soup and ⅓ cup milk; heat. Add ½ cup shredded natural Cheddar cheese; stir until cheese melts.

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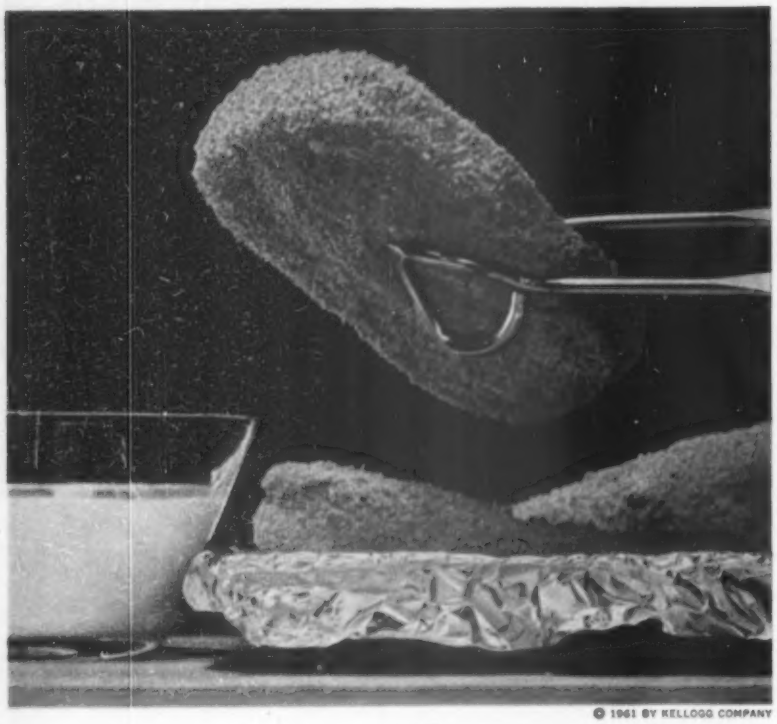

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CORN-CRISPED FISH

Heat oven to moderate temperature (375° F.).

Have ready 1 to 1½ pounds fish, cut in serving pieces.

Dip pieces in ½ cup PET Evaporated Milk (thin milk just won't do).

Roll in mixture of 1 cup KELLOGG'S CORN FLAKE CRUMBS; 1 tsp. AC'CENT; 1 tsp. salt; ¼ tsp. pepper.

Place fish in shallow baking pan lined with Heavy Duty REYNOLDS WRAP. Do not crowd. If less crisp crust is desired, lay a piece of REYNOLDS WRAP lightly over fish.

Bake in moderately hot oven (375° F.) about 20 minutes or longer, depending on thickness of fish. Serve with lemon slices or tartar sauce. 4 or more servings.

THESE FOODS ARE NEWS!

Main dishes, vegetables

Beans and franks in tomato sauce. The franks (tiny, cocktail size) partner with flavorful baked beans in this combo. Here's a meal-in-one that's as easy as opening a 1-pound can!

Spanish-rice seasoning mix—just add water, a little salad oil or butter, and rice (your choice of regular or precooked); then prepare. So simple! This dry mix—spices, onion, bright red and green peppers, and parsley—comes in a 45-gram envelope.

Cheese soup (the canned condensed type) is worth raves! It's rich and creamy with sharp Cheddar-cheese flavor. This delicious soup has many possibilities—as a cheese sauce for cauliflower or broccoli, for meat or fish, or as an ingredient in casseroles and other dishes. Soup is in a 10¾-ounce can.

Oven-ready scalloped potatoes. Potato slices (already seasoned!) come in a 4½-ounce package. Add milk, butter, and boiling water, then bake. You can count on 4 to 6 servings.

Cakes, desserts

Toasted-coconut cake mix—an exciting newcomer. It makes a big cake that's flecked with fresh-tasting coconut. Just add water and eggs; bake as two layers or a loaf. In a 1-pound, 3-ounce package.

Butter-pecan, applesauce-raisin, and fudge-nut cakes—these three old-time favorites are now modern-day mixes. One 12- or 14-ounce package makes a single-layer cake.

Caramel and pineapple cream are the latest in the instant-pudding family (3¾-ounce boxes). A new "regular" pudding and pie filling is chocolate-mint flavored. It is creamy chocolate with a cool mint overtone. Box weighs 4 ounces.

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Refrigerated pan rolls are already shaped and topped with sesame seeds. You just unroll the dough into a buttered pan, then bake. As the rolls brown, the seeds take on a wonderful toasty flavor. Twelve rolls to an 8.5-ounce tube.

Liver pate, finely ground and seasoned pork liver, now comes in a 2¼-ounce can. This tasty pate is American-made and inexpensive. Spread it on crackers or toast rounds—or use in party sandwiches.

Fine-grated coconut has a fresh flavor. And it boasts multi uses, too! As an ingredient, this coconut goes into—just to name a few—cookies, pies, or ambrosias. For a topping, sprinkle it over frostings, doughnuts, or curries. One 7-ounce package holds 2 cups.

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Special occasion tables for spring...

A party for music-men and their dates:

Before the teen hop, ask the crowd over for salad and sandwiches. Musical theme is carried out by gluing black paper clefs and bars to simple white cloth; put notes on napkins.

The centerpiece is made of a collection of old records, taped from the inside into a square and hiding a small kitchen bowl. Turn on that record-player! And stack the records high.

Buffet for neighbors with a travel yen:

Friends leaving for Mexico, India, Bermuda will be beguiled and wild about a farewell basket party. Beg, borrow—even buy—all types of baskets. Set the scene like a foreign market place. The buffet table sports a serape draped at a rakish angle, with ordinary snake plant in a basket. Fill a deep basket, too, with gifts for the trip!

WHAT'S MORE delightful to your family and friends than a setting that says "Welcome!" "Party!" or "Specially for you!" With a few changes of accessories, a dash of color in your cloth, a handsome made-by-hand centerpiece, these, and many other memorable tables are easy to achieve. Whether it's a pre-prom gathering, a bon-voyage party, or a small-talk luncheon for three, your table is sure to spark a bright mood for any party you may give.

An informal, lighthearted table:

Easter brunch—bright and inexpensive. Try a polka dot cover (bought by the yard in a department store basement) with a two-part vegetable dish filled with fake water lilies. Plastic dinnerware with a brilliant yellow border carries out Easter theme.

Some people like to taste it right off the spoon. That's one way to get the full, rich Miracle Whip flavor. Or you can add its bright piquancy to this casserole right here. More than 20 good spices go into Miracle Whip Salad Dressing. Each one has a delightful foreign accent. We measure them our special (sh-s-s!) secret way. We think you'll like what Miracle Whip does to salads, sandwiches, and inside this casserole. Tonight isn't too soon to find out!

BIG CATCH CASSEROLE

1 10½ oz. can condensed cream of celery soup
½ c. Miracle Whip Salad Dressing
¼ c. milk
¼ c. Kraft Shredded Parmesan Cheese
1 7¾ oz. can salmon, boned and flaked
1 10-oz. package frozen peas, cooked, drained
1 4-oz. package noodles, cooked, drained
1 Tbsp. chopped onion

Any salmon would be proud to swim in the sauce inside this tasty casserole. The secret, you've guessed it already, is that zippy flavor and rich-with-extra-eggs texture of fabulous Miracle Whip. Combine the soup, Miracle Whip, milk and cheese, blend well. Stir in salmon, peas, noodles and onion. Pour into a 1½ qt. casserole. Bake in a moderate oven, 350° for 25 minutes. Isn't that easy? (No cream sauce to make!) Your "big catch" will be all the wonderful compliments you'll receive.

There's more savor in the flavor with Miracle Whip

CRISS-CROSS PIZZAS: COMBINE 4½ OZ. CAN UNDERWOOD DEVILED HAM, 8 OZ. TOMATO SAUCE, 1 TBSP. MINCED ONION, ½ TSP. OREGANO, 2 TBSP. GRATED PARMESAN CHEESE. SPREAD ON 8 TOASTED ENGLISH MUFFIN HALVES, ADD CHEESE STRIPS. BROIL.

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Fill up on filled cookies!

One bite, and you'll keep on munching! The fillings are luscious. Some you make, others are from a jar of jam or preserves.

The plump Date-filled Sugar Cookies, exactly like Grandmother's, tempt even the most cautious—few can resist such wonderful flavor and crispness. With mugs of cold milk, they're a perfect snack. Notice the pretty scalloped edge; it's simple to make when you seal the cookies with the tip of an inverted teaspoon.

Photographs: Scott

Each tier offers you a delectable sweet. Up top are nut-rolled Cherry Rounds. Nice for entertaining any time you want a dainty cooky. On the bottom tray you see Apricot Bars—tart-sweet jam sandwiched between two layers of buttery crumbs. Both kinds of cookies are delicious with cups of hot coffee or tea.

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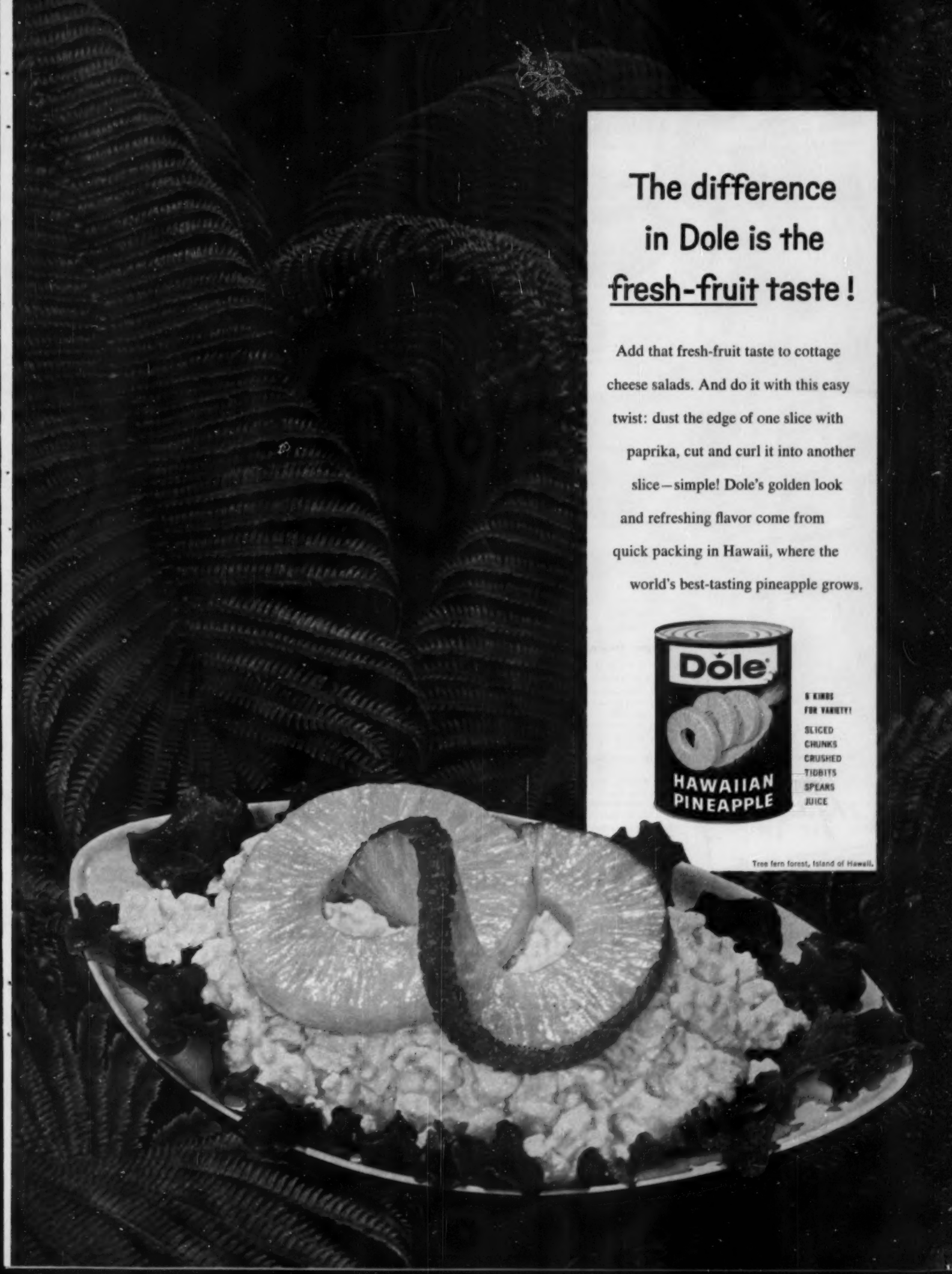
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Date-filled Sugar Cookies

These roll out easily, bake to tender crispness—

1 cup shortening
½ cup granulated sugar
½ cup brown sugar
1 egg
3 tablespoons milk
1 teaspoon vanilla

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3 cups sifted enriched flour
½ teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon soda

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1 recipe Date Filling (or Prune Filling)

Cream together shortening and sugars until fluffy; add egg, milk, and vanilla; beat well. Sift together dry ingredients; add to creamed mixture; mix well. Chill dough at least 1 hour. On floured pastry cloth, roll *half* the dough at a time to a little less than ⅛ inch. Cut with a 2½-inch round cutter. With tiny cutter or thimble, cut small hole in center of *half* the cookies. Place about 1 tablespoon Filling on each plain cooky. Top with a cut-out cooky; press edges with tip of inverted teaspoon to seal. Bake, 1 inch apart, on ungreased cooky sheet in moderate oven (375°) 10 to 12 minutes. Makes 3 dozen.

Date Filling: Combine 2 cups chopped dates, ½ cup sugar, and ½ cup water. Bring to boiling, cover and simmer about 5 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add 2 tablespoons lemon juice and ¼ teaspoon salt. Cool.

Cherry Rounds

Each is a tiny cooky cup holding bright cherry preserves—

½ cup butter or margarine
¼ cup brown sugar
1 egg yolk
½ teaspoon vanilla
¼ teaspoon salt

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1¼ cups sifted enriched flour

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1 slightly beaten egg white
¾ cup finely chopped pecans
½ cup commercial cherry preserves

Cream together butter, sugar, egg yolk, vanilla, and salt till light and fluffy. Stir in flour. Chill about ½ hour. Shape in 1-inch balls; dip in egg white and roll in nuts. Place 2½ inches apart on greased cooky sheet; press centers with thumb. Fill centers with a small amount of preserves (about ½ teaspoon). Bake in moderate oven (350°) 12 to 15 minutes or till done. Cool slightly; remove from pan. Makes about 3 dozen.

Better Homes & Gardens Test-Kitchen note: For pretty tea-table cookies, press centers of cookies before baking, but do not fill with preserves until serving time.

Apricot Bars

Really wonderful—a confection cooky—

1½ cups sifted enriched flour
1 teaspoon baking powder
¼ teaspoon salt
1½ cups quick-cooking rolled oats
1 cup brown sugar
¾ cup butter or margarine

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¾ cup commercial apricot preserves or jam

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Filled Oatmeal Cookies

So good—they bring back memories of Grandmother's baking—

½ cup shortening
½ cup butter or margarine
1½ cups brown sugar
2 eggs
1 teaspoon vanilla

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2 cups sifted enriched flour
1 teaspoon baking powder
1 teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon soda
2½ cups quick-cooking rolled oats

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1 recipe Prune Filling (or Date Filling)

Cream together shortening, butter, and sugar till fluffy. Add eggs and vanilla; beat well. Sift together flour, baking powder, salt, and soda; add to creamed mixture and beat well. Stir in rolled oats. Chill at least 1 hour. On *well-floured* pastry cloth, roll *half* the dough at a time to a little less than ¼ inch. Cut with a 2½-inch round cutter. Place about 1 tablespoon Filling on half of the rounds. Top with the remaining rounds. Press edges to seal. Sprinkle tops with granulated sugar. Place on ungreased cooky sheet about 1 inch apart. Bake in moderate oven (350°) 12 minutes or until lightly browned. Immediately remove from baking sheet. Makes 3 dozen.

Prune Filling: Add 3 cups water to 1 pound dried prunes; cover and cook 20 minutes or till prunes are tender; drain, reserving ½ cup liquid. Pit and chop prunes; add reserved prune liquid and ½ cup sugar. Bring to boiling, cover and simmer about 5 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add 2 tablespoons lemon juice and ¼ teaspoon salt. Cool.

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Pancakes-waffles

File under Breads

Easy Sourdough Flapjacks

Old-time Alaskan favorite is updated—the "starter" here is packaged biscuit mix and yeast. Bake big cakes, pass plenty of butter and warm maple-flavored syrup—

1 package active dry yeast or 1 cake compressed yeast	¼ cup water • • • 1 egg	2 cups milk 2 cups packaged biscuit mix

Soften dry yeast in *warm* water or compressed yeast in *lukewarm* water. Beat egg; add milk and biscuit mix. Beat with rotary beater until blended. Stir in softened yeast. Allow batter to stand at room temperature 1 to 1½ hours. *Do not stir*. Bake on a hot, lightly greased griddle or in skillet. (For uniform pancakes, pour from a ¼-cup measure.) Turn cakes when bubbles on surface break. Makes 2 dozen 4-inch cakes.

Carole McKinnis, Kellogg, Idaho

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Oriental specials

Chinese Walnut Chicken

1 cup coarsely broken walnuts	1½ cups bias-cut celery slices	2 tablespoons cooking sherry
¼ cup salad oil	1¼ cups chicken broth	1 5-ounce can (⅔ cup) bamboo shoots, drained
2 chicken breasts (raw), boned and cut lengthwise in very thin strips	• • •	1 5-ounce can water chestnuts, drained and sliced
½ teaspoon salt	1 teaspoon sugar	Hot cooked rice
1 cup onion slices	1 tablespoon cornstarch	
	¼ cup soy sauce	

In skillet, toast walnuts in hot oil, stirring constantly. Remove nuts to paper towels to drain. Put chicken into skillet. Sprinkle with salt. Cook, stirring frequently, 5 to 10 minutes or till tender. Remove chicken. Add onion, celery, and ½ *cup of the* chicken broth. Cook uncovered 5 minutes or till vegetables are slightly tender. Combine sugar, cornstarch, soy sauce, and cooking sherry; add remaining broth. Pour over vegetables. Cook and stir till sauce thickens. Add chicken, bamboo shoots, water chestnuts, and walnuts. Heat through. Serve with hot rice. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

Mrs. Baskin R. Lawrence, Jr., Bedford, Massachusetts

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Beef Cantonese with Ginger Rice

- ¼ cup soy sauce
- ¼ cup cooking sherry
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- ¼ teaspoon cinnamon
- 2 pounds beef chuck, cut in ½-inch cubes

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- 1½ cups water
- 2 tablespoons cornstarch
- 2 tablespoons cold water

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- 1 recipe Ginger Rice

Mix soy sauce, sherry, sugar, and cinnamon. Marinate beef in soy mixture 1 hour, stirring occasionally. Add 1½ cups water; simmer covered (*don't boil*) 1 hour or till tender. Blend cornstarch and 2 tablespoons cold water; add to meat mixture. Cook and stir till mixture thickens. Serve over **Ginger Rice:** Cook ½ cup chopped green onions 1 minute in 3 tablespoons hot salad oil. Add 2 tablespoons finely diced candied ginger and 4 cups hot cooked rice; toss lightly. Makes 6 to 8 servings. *Mrs. Philip Finkelstein, Palos Verdes Estates, California*

Luau Ribs

- 2 4½-ounce jars or cans (1 cup) strained peaches (baby food)
- ½ cup catsup
- ½ cup vinegar
- 2 tablespoons soy sauce
- ½ cup brown sugar
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 teaspoons ginger
- 1 teaspoon salt
- Dash pepper
- 4 pounds meaty spareribs

For sauce, mix all ingredients except ribs. Rub ribs on both sides with salt and pepper. Place ribs, meat side up, in foil-lined shallow pan. Bake in very hot oven (450°) 15 minutes; spoon off fat. Pour sauce over ribs. Continue baking in moderate oven (350°) 1½ hours or till done, basting with sauce several times. Cut in serving pieces. Makes 4 servings.

Mrs. Warren E. Stenstrom, Janesville, Wisconsin

Shrimp Chow Mein

Cook 1 cup *each* chopped onion, sliced celery, and chopped green pepper in ¼ cup hot salad oil 2 minutes; add 1 can condensed cream of mushroom soup. Blend 2 teaspoons cornstarch, ¾ cup cold water, and ¼ cup soy sauce; gradually stir into soup mixture. Cook and stir till mixture thickens. Cut 2 cups cleaned cooked or canned shrimp in half lengthwise; add along with one 3-ounce can (⅔ cup) broiled sliced mushrooms, drained; one 5-ounce can (⅔ cup) water chestnuts, drained and thinly sliced; and one 1-pound can bean sprouts, drained. Heat thoroughly. Serve over 4 cups hot chow-mein noodles. Pass soy sauce. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

Mrs. Louise Kniss, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

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Blintz Pancakes

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- 1 cup sifted enriched flour
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- ½ teaspoon salt

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- 1 cup dairy sour cream
- 1 cup small-curd cream-style cottage cheese
- 4 well-beaten eggs

Sift dry ingredients into bowl. Add sour cream, cottage cheese, and beaten eggs; fold only till flour is barely moistened. Bake on a hot, lightly greased griddle or in skillet. (For uniform pancakes, use a ¼-cup measure.) Turn cakes when bubbles on surface break. Stack pancakes and serve with warm maple-flavored syrup or **Blueberry Sauce:** Combine one 1-pound can (2 cups) blueberries and 2 teaspoons cornstarch. Cook and stir till thick and clear. Add 1 teaspoon lemon juice. Makes sixteen 4-inch pancakes.

Mrs. Mildred E. Miller, Wyandotte, Michigan

Peanut-butter Waffles

Could be a brunch or Sunday-night supper—

- 1 cup packaged pancake mix
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- ½ cup chunk-style peanut butter
- 1 egg
- 1 cup milk
- 2 tablespoons salad oil or melted shortening

Combine all ingredients. Beat with rotary or electric beater just till almost smooth. (There will be a few lumps.) Bake in preheated waffle baker. Makes eight 4-inch waffles. Pass butter, jelly, or maple-flavored syrup.

Mrs. John P. Gallahue, Piper City, Illinois

Golden Apricot Roll-ups

Delicious dessert pancakes. Each roll gets a crunchy jacket and an easy jam filling—

- 1 cup packaged pancake mix
- ½ cup apricot jam
- 2 slightly beaten eggs
- ½ cup corn-flake crumbs
- 2 tablespoons butter or margarine

Prepare pancake mix according to package directions, but using 1 *cup milk*, 1 egg, and 1 tablespoon salad oil or melted shortening. Bake on griddle as directed on package. Spread about a tablespoon jam over each hot cake. Roll up. Dip rolls in egg, then in corn-flake crumbs. Place, seam side down, in skillet. Brown on all sides in butter over low heat. Serve hot. Pass melted butter, if desired. Makes 8. *Mrs. Herbert Dick, Santa Rosa, California*

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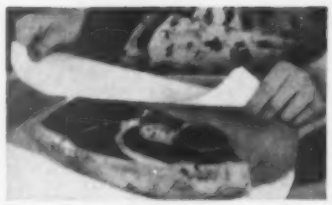

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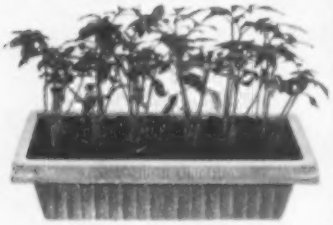

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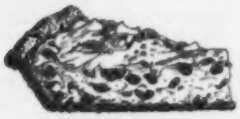

RAISIN SOUR CREAM PIE

- ¾ cup sugar
- 2 tablespoons cornstarch
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 2 eggs
- 2 cups (1 pint carton) dairy sour cream
- 1 cup seedless raisins
- Rind and juice of 1 lemon
- ⅓ cup chopped walnuts
- 1 baked 9-inch crumb shell

Blend together sugar, cornstarch and salt. Combine with beaten eggs, 1½ cups sour cream, raisins, grated rind and lemon juice. Cook and stir over hot water until thick. Stir in walnuts. Pour into baked crumb shell. When cool top with remaining ½ cup sour cream. Sprinkle with additional crumbs and grated rind if desired.

RAISIN ALL-BRAN MUFFINS

- 1 cup Kellogg's All-Bran
- ¾ cup milk
- 1 egg
- ¼ cup soft shortening
- 1 cup sifted flour
- 2½ teaspoons baking powder
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ¼ cup sugar
- 1 cup seedless raisins

Combine All-Bran and milk; let stand until most of moisture is taken up. Add egg, shortening; beat well. Sift together flour, baking powder, salt, sugar; mix in raisins. Add to first mixture, stirring *only until combined.* Fill greased muffin pans ⅔ full. Bake in moderately hot oven (400° F.) about 20 minutes. Makes 10-12 muffins, about 2½ inches in diameter.

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Italian favorites

Begins on page 62

like to add a teaspoon of olive oil to the water, especially when cooking large pasta such as lasagne.

Before adding any kind of pasta, let the water boil briskly for a minute. Instead of breaking long spaghetti, hold a handful at one end and dip the other into the bubbling water. As the spaghetti softens, curl it around in the pan until the whole length will go in. (Add lasagne the same way, but a piece at a time.) Don't cover; stir at the start of the cooking to prevent sticking. Keep the water boiling vigorously.

How much spaghetti? Depends on appetite—1 pound serves 4 to 6 as main dish with sauce.

Cook pasta until tender, but still *firm—al dente,* as Italians say. Good test: Lift out one strand and bite it. Another test Italians use is to hold a piece between thumb and finger and cut through with thumbnail. Or press a strand against kettle with fork. Be a pot watcher—don't overcook. When done, drain at once in a big colander, shaking it to remove as much water as you can. Serve pasta hot as fire!

To keep spaghetti hot: Serve spaghetti as soon as it's al dente, if at all possible. However, if there's a delay, set the colander of drained spaghetti over pan containing small amount boiling water. Coat spaghetti with a few tablespoons butter or margarine to keep the strands from sticking together. Cover colander with a towel.

To sauce spaghetti: Place the drained spaghetti on warmed platter, add part of the sauce (and if you like, sprinkle with Parmesan cheese). With 2 forks, lift spaghetti up and down to coat (this mixes without stirring). For extra richness, start with a chunk of butter on hot platter, then add spaghetti, then more butter; now toss. Follow this butter-tossing with your special sauce.

Italians say one of the best ways to serve fine spaghetti or noodles is sauced with butter and grated Parmesan only. They also claim there's merit in saucing spaghetti in the empty kettle it was cooked in—then you can keep it over very low heat till job is done.

Spaghetti Meat Sauce

This rich sauce has meat all through—an alternate for Spaghetti Sauce and Meat Balls on page 67—

- ½ cup onion slices
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 pound ground beef
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 1-pound cans (4 cups) tomatoes
- 2 8-ounce cans (2 cups) seasoned tomato sauce
- 1 3-ounce can (⅔ cup) broiled sliced mushrooms
- ¼ cup chopped parsley
- 1½ teaspoons oregano or sage
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon monosodium glutamate
- ¼ teaspoon thyme
- 1 bay leaf
- 1 cup water

Cook onion in hot oil till golden. Add meat and garlic; brown lightly. Add remaining ingredients; simmer uncovered 2 to 2½ hours or till sauce is nice and thick—stir occasionally. Remove bay leaf. Serve over hot cooked spaghetti. Pass bowl of grated Parmesan cheese. Makes 6 servings.

Polenta

Wedges of corn-meal mush with gay red tomato sauce spooned over—

In saucepan, bring 2½ cups water to boiling. Combine 1½ cups corn meal, 1½ cups cold water, and 1 teaspoon salt; gradually stir into boiling water. Cook and stir till thick. Cover; cook over *low* heat about 45 minutes, stirring occasionally. Pour into a 9-inch pie plate. Cool 5 minutes. Cut in 6 wedges, serve at once with Spaghetti Meat Sauce. Or for a Lenten special serve with Spaghetti Sauce (page 67), omitting meat balls and cooking sauce the full hour or till of nice consistency. Pass grated Parmesan cheese.

Spaghettini with Green Sauce

Wonderful, wonderful flavor, and so different. The dainty, fine-size spaghetti is called for here—

- 8 or 10 ounces spaghettini (or capellini, fideline, or vermicelli)

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- 2 tablespoons whole basil
- 2 tablespoons parsley flakes
- ¼ cup soft butter or margarine
- 1 8-ounce package cream cheese, softened
- ⅓ cup grated Parmesan cheese
- ¼ cup olive or salad oil
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- ½ teaspoon pepper
- ⅔ cup boiling water

Cook spaghettini in large amount boiling salted water till just tender (*don't overcook*); drain. Add basil and parsley to butter. Blend in cream cheese, Parmesan cheese, oil, garlic, and pepper. Stir in boiling water; blend. Arrange hot spaghettini on warm platter and serve with the sauce. Pass additional Parmesan cheese. Serve with bowl of crisp Italian salad. Makes 6 servings.

Sausage Pizza

The combination of canned tomatoes and tomato paste make the spicy filling special. The crust is the true Naples type—

- 1 pound Italian sausage
- 1 1-pound can (2 cups) tomatoes
- 1 recipe Pizza Crust
- Salt and coarse-cracked pepper
- 1 6-ounce package Mozzarella cheese, *thin sliced* and torn in pieces
- Olive oil
- 1 6-ounce can (⅔ cup) tomato paste
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 tablespoon crushed oregano
- 1 tablespoon whole basil
- ¼ cup grated Parmesan or Romano cheese

Break sausage in small bits in skillet; fry slowly until lightly browned, about 10 minutes, stirring occasionally; drain off excess fat. Drain tomatoes, reserving ½ cup tomato juice. Cut tomatoes in small pieces and place in layer on pizza dough circles; sprinkle with salt and pepper, then cover with the Mozzarella cheese. Drizzle with olive oil (about 1 tablespoon on each pizza). Sprinkle with sausage. Combine tomato paste, reserved tomato juice, garlic, and herbs, mixing well; spread over sausage. Dash generously with salt and pepper. Scatter Parmesan cheese over all. Drizzle with olive oil (about 1 tablespoon on each). Bake in hot oven (425°) about 18 minutes or till crust is done. Makes 2 pizzas.

Pizza Crust

- 1 package active dry yeast
- 1 cup *warm* water
- 3½ cups sifted enriched flour
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 teaspoon salt

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- 2 tablespoons olive oil

Soften active dry yeast in the warm water. Beat in 1½ *cups of the flour;* mix in 1 tablespoon olive oil and the salt. Stir in remaining flour. Knead on lightly floured surface until smooth and elastic, about 12 minutes. (Dough will be very firm.) Place in lightly greased mixing bowl, turn to bring greased side up. Cover and let rise in a warm place until more than double, about 1½ hours. (Dough will have a yeasty odor.) Punch down, cover, and place in refrigerator until cold. Cut dough in 2 parts. On lightly floured surface, roll each in a 12-inch circle about ⅛ inch thick. Place on greased cooky sheets or 12-inch pizza pans, turning edge of dough up slightly. Gash bottom about every 2 inches to prevent bubbles. Brush each crust with 1 tablespoon olive oil. Fill and bake—see Sausage Pizza recipe. Makes 2 crusts.

Pepperoni Pizza

Hot-roll mix makes a dandy Italian-style crust—

- 1 package hot-roll mix

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- Olive oil
- ¾ pound small pepperoni, thinly sliced
- ½ cup shredded Parmesan or Romano cheese
- 2 8-ounce cans (2 cups) seasoned tomato sauce
- 1 tablespoon crushed oregano
- 1 teaspoon anise seed
- 4 cloves garlic, crushed
- 1 6-ounce package Mozzarella cheese, *thinly* sliced and torn in pieces

Prepare dough from hot roll mix, following package directions, but *using 1 cup warm water* and *omitting egg. Do not let rise.* Divide dough in half. On greased baking sheets, pat or roll each piece of dough into a 12-inch circle. Clip edges at 1-inch intervals and press so they'll stand up slightly. Brush dough with olive oil. Reserve enough pepperoni slices for trim (about 20); scatter remainder over dough and sprinkle with *half* the Parmesan cheese. Combine tomato sauce, oregano, anise seed, and garlic, mixing well; spread over pepperoni. Top with a big circle of overlapping Mozzarella-cheese slices; sprinkle with remaining Parmesan. Trim with a ring of re-

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1 package active dry yeast
¾ cup *warm* water
2½ cups packaged biscuit mix

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3 5½-ounce cans (2¼ cups) pizza sauce
1 chopped onion
½ cup chopped green pepper
1 6-ounce can (1⅓ cups) broiled sliced mushrooms, drained
1 pound Mozzarella cheese, *thinly sliced*
Olive oil
Coarse-ground pepper and crushed oregano
Yellow and red pickled banana peppers

Soften yeast in warm water. Add biscuit mix; beat vigorously 2 minutes. On surface dusted with biscuit mix, knead till smooth, 25 strokes. Divide dough in 4ths. On greased baking sheets, roll each piece paper-thin to a 10-inch circle or pat into four 9-inch pizza pans; turn up edges of dough, and crimp, if desired. Brush dough with olive oil. Cut 16 triangles of Mozzarella cheese and set aside for trim (see picture, page 62); tear remaining cheese in pieces and place over crust. Scatter onion, green pepper, and mushrooms over, dash with salt. Drizzle with pizza sauce and dash generously with coarse pepper and oregano. Top with reserved cheese triangles. Cut triangles of pickled peppers and arrange as in picture. Bake in hot oven (425°) about 15 minutes or till crust is done. Makes 4 pizzas.

Piccolo Pizzas

These are bitsy snacks for informal evenings—

½ pound Italian sausage
1 tablespoon crushed oregano
1 clove garlic, minced
1 package refrigerated biscuits
½ to 1 6-ounce can (⅓ to ⅔ cup) tomato paste
1 cup shredded sharp process American cheese
¼ cup grated Parmesan cheese

Brown sausage slowly, stirring to crumble; spoon off excess fat, then stir in oregano and garlic. Place biscuits on a greased baking sheet. With bottom of floured custard cup, make a hollow in each, 4 inches in diameter (leave rim). Fill with tomato paste and sausage. Sprinkle with American cheese, then with Parmesan. Bake in hot oven (425°) about 10 minutes or till done. Serve hot. Makes 10.

Veal Parmesan

Tender chops with cheese and tomato sauce. Serve with Genoa-style Green Noodles or tiny boiled potatoes—

¼ cup fine dry bread crumbs
¼ cup grated Parmesan cheese
½ teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon paprika
Dash fresh-ground pepper

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5 ¾-inch veal loin chops
1 beaten egg

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2 tablespoons olive or salad oil
5 *thin* slices Mozzarella cheese

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1 8-ounce can (1 cup) seasoned tomato sauce
1 clove garlic, crushed
1 teaspoon crushed oregano

Mix crumbs, Parmesan cheese, salt, paprika, and pepper. Dip chops in egg, then in crumb mixture. Brown on both sides in hot olive oil. Place a slice of Mozzarella cheese atop each chop. Mix tomato sauce and garlic; pour over chops; sprinkle with oregano. Cover; simmer 50 minutes or till meat is done (add a tablespoon or so of water, if needed). Makes 5 servings.

Genoa-style Green Noodles

Fun to make, but you can get green noodles (tagliatelle verde) in a package if you prefer—

2 cups sifted enriched flour
½ teaspoon salt
2 beaten eggs
¼ cup strained spinach*
2 tablespoons butter or margarine, melted

Sift together flour and salt. Combine eggs, spinach, and melted butter; add to dry ingredients, mixing well. On lightly floured surface, knead gently ½ minute. Divide dough in half; roll each piece *paper thin* in a rectangle. Let stand about 45 minutes (dough must not be sticky or too dry). Roll up like jelly roll; cut in ¼-inch slices. Shake out each piece to unroll. Cook; or spread out to dry thoroughly, cover tightly, and store till ready to use.

To cook: Add noodles to large quantity of boiling salted water and cook 8 to 10 minutes or till tender. Rinse with hot water; drain. Toss with butter and serve hot with Veal Parmesan or spaghetti sauce. Makes 5 or 6 servings.

*Cook fresh or frozen spinach; drain, then put through food mill or strainer. Or use canned strained spinach (baby food).

Italian Bread

Men's choice—loaf is typically crusty; slices have pleasing "pull" when you bite in. Hot-roll mix is short cut—

1 package hot-roll mix
⅔ cup *warm* water
2 slightly beaten egg whites
½ teaspoon salt

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Yellow corn meal

In large mixing bowl, soften yeast from hot-roll mix in *only ⅔ cup* warm water. Reserve 1 tablespoon egg white for glaze (omit the egg called for on package); stir remaining egg white into softened yeast. Add salt and the roll mix; blend well. Turn out on generously floured surface (use ¼ cup enriched flour); knead 7 minutes or so, working in *all* the flour to form *very* stiff dough that is smooth and satiny. Place in lightly greased bowl, turning once to grease top. Cover and let rise in warm place till double (about 1 hour). Turn out on lightly floured surface.

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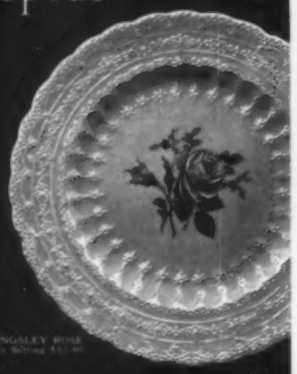

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Brown ¾ cup sliced green onion and ¾ cup sliced celery in 3 tablespoons melted butter for 5 minutes. Add 3 cups peeled, diced raw potatoes, 2½ cups water, 1½ teaspoons salt. Heat to boiling; cook over medium heat about 15 minutes. Blend 1½ tablespoons flour with ¼ cup milk. Add 1¾ cups milk. Stir into potato mixture. Cook until thick. Add two 6½-oz. cans Chicken of the Sea® tuna. Heat and serve at once. Makes 1½ quarts of chowder.

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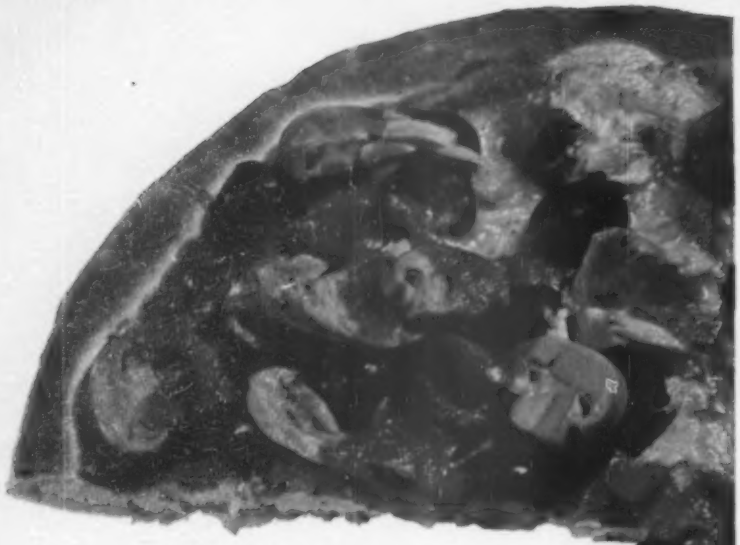

Try this Ripe Olive-Tuna pizza!

RIPE OLIVE-TUNA PIZZA

1 cup ripe olives
1 can (7 oz.) chunk-style tuna
1 can (8 oz.) mushrooms
¼ cup chopped onion
1 clove garlic, minced
2 cups tomato sauce
Salt and pepper
2½ cups grated Cheddar cheese
1 teaspoon oregano

Cut ripe olives in halves or large wedges. Drain tuna and mushrooms. Combine ripe olives, tuna, mushrooms, onion, garlic and tomato sauce. Season with salt and pepper. Spread on four 8-inch rounds of pizza dough.* Sprinkle with cheese and oregano. Bake in hot oven (425° F.) 15 to 20 minutes until crust is brown. Serve immediately.

*Use prepared pizza mix or follow this quick recipe: Measure *¾ cup very warm water* into bowl. Sprinkle in *1 package active dry yeast;* stir until dissolved. Add *2½ cups biscuit mix;* beat vigorously. Turn dough out onto surface well dusted with biscuit mix. Knead until smooth, about 20 times. Divide dough into 4 pieces; roll each into 8-inch circle. Place on ungreased baking sheets. Make edge of circles slightly thick. Spread with topping.

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Shape, tapering ends, in 1 long narrow loaf (12 inches) or in 2 shorter loaves. Place on greased baking sheet sprinkled with corn meal. Cover and let rise in warm place till double (30 to 45 minutes). Add 1 tablespoon water to reserved egg white; brush over tops and sides. With *sharp* knife, gently make lengthwise cut, ½ to ¾ inch deep, down center of loaf. (Place large shallow pan on lower rack of oven; fill with boiling water.) Bake in moderate oven (375°) 15 minutes; brush with egg white, bake 15 to 20 minutes longer or till done.

Easter Lemon Ring

Pillow-soft bread, traditionally shaped in a ring with eggs tucked in the twists. Eggs will be hard-cooked when bread is baked!—

1 package active dry yeast
¼ cup *warm* water
¾ cup milk, scalded
1 package lemon pudding
¼ cup butter, margarine, or shortening
½ teaspoon salt
4 to 4½ cups sifted enriched flour
3 beaten eggs

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10 uncooked eggs with white shells (at room temperature)

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1 beaten egg
1 tablespoon water
Candy decorettes

Soften active dry yeast in warm water. Pour hot milk over pudding mix, butter, and salt. Stir till butter melts and pudding dissolves; cool to lukewarm. Add 1½ *cups of the flour* and mix well. Stir in softened yeast and 3 beaten eggs; beat well. Gradually add remaining flour (or a little more or less to make a soft dough). Turn out on lightly floured surface. Cover and let rest 10 minutes. Knead till smooth and elastic (8 to 10 minutes). Place in lightly greased bowl, turning once to grease surface. Cover; let rise in warm place

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LOOK AND COOK

Scott

Gumdrop Bunnies and Cooky Flowers in the spring, tra-la! Kiddies can make 'em!

Gumdrop Bunnies: For the body, run a toothpick through center of 2 large gumdrops and let end protrude; here attach another big gumdrop for head. Halves of large gumdrops become arms and legs; attach with toothpick pieces.

Bend 6-inch lengths of pipe cleaner in half for ears. Eyes and nose are whole cloves. Whiskers? Half-inch pieces of pipe cleaner. Zany tail is a tiny marshmallow.

Cooky Flowers: Choose scalloped cookies with hole in center. Slip a little gumdrop, small end first, on 12-inch pipe cleaner—let ½ inch of the pipe cleaner stick out.

Slip the cooky on, then add another small gumdrop (big end first), and push it against the first. Four inches down from cooky, fold pipe cleaner upward. Bend the folded-up length in half for a leaf. Cupcakes make nice "flowerpots".

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3. Tunaburger. Heap tuna salad on a bun, top with thick rich slices of all-purpose Chateau and pop under broiler.

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till double (about 1¼ hours). Punch down; let rise again till almost double (45 to 60 minutes). Turn out on lightly floured surface and divide dough in half; form each piece in a ball. Cover; let rest 10 minutes. For each ring: Divide one ball of dough in half; roll each piece under hands to form a strand 15 inches long and about 1 inch thick. Twist the 2 strands together loosely 4 times, forming an 8-inch ring on greased baking sheet; press ends together. Tuck 5 uncooked eggs (stand them on small end) in the ring. Cover and let rise till almost double (30 to 45 minutes). Brush bread with mixture of beaten egg and water; sprinkle with decorettes. Bake in hot oven (400°) about 15 minutes or till done. Makes 2 rings.

Green Beans with Basil

1 pound fresh green beans, cut in 1-inch lengths (about 3 cups)*
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2 to 3 tablespoons butter or margarine
½ cup chopped onion
¼ cup chopped celery
1 clove garlic, minced
½ teaspoon basil
½ teaspoon rosemary

Cook beans, covered, in small amount boiling salted water until almost tender, about 10 minutes; drain. Stir in remaining ingredients. Cover and continue cooking 10 minutes or until beans are tender. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

*For canned beans, drain; add remaining ingredients and heat over low heat.

Zucchini Florentine

Little slices of bright green squash baked in a well-seasoned custard—

6 small zucchini, cut in ¼-inch slices
2 tablespoons butter or margarine
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1 cup evaporated milk
3 slightly beaten eggs
1 teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon pepper
¼ teaspoon garlic salt
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¼ teaspoon paprika

Place zucchini in 1½-quart casserole and add butter. Bake in hot oven (400°) 15 minutes, or till zucchini is partially cooked but still crisp. Combine remaining ingredients except paprika and pour over zucchini. Sprinkle with paprika. Set casserole in shallow pan, filling pan to 1 inch with hot water. Bake in moderate oven (350°) 40 minutes, or till knife inserted halfway between center and edge comes out clean. Makes 6 servings.

Green Peppers and Tomatoes

You may want to wait till summer to fill the vegetable bowl with these crisp-cooked pepper strips sauced in tomato—

½ cup thinly sliced onion
2 cloves garlic, minced
1 tablespoon olive oil
2 cups stewed tomatoes or 1 1-pound can
2 teaspoons sugar
1 teaspoon salt
Dash pepper
½ teaspoon basil
4 to 5 large green peppers, cut in strips ¾ inch wide (about 4 cups)
3 tablespoons olive oil

Cook onion and garlic in 1 tablespoon hot oil until tender but not brown; add tomatoes and seasonings. Simmer uncovered till sauce is slightly thick, about 20 minutes. Cook pepper strips in 3 tablespoons oil, turning frequently, till tender but still *crisp*. Lift from oil to serving dish; sprinkle with salt and pepper. Pour tomato sauce over green peppers and serve at once. Makes 5 or 6 servings.

Garlic Salad Dressing

1⅓ cups salad oil
⅓ cup salad vinegar
1½ teaspoons salt
1 teaspoon sugar
½ teaspoon dry mustard
5 cloves garlic, halved

Combine all ingredients in jar. Cover and shake thoroughly. (Flavor will mellow if you let dressing stand 4 to 5 days before using.) Shake well at serving time. Makes 1⅔ cups.

Hot Italian Dressing

Spunk for your choice of salad greens—

1 teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon white pepper
½ teaspoon celery salt
¼ teaspoon cayenne
¼ teaspoon dry mustard
¼ cup salad vinegar
1 cup salad oil
1 clove garlic, minced
Dash Tabasco sauce

Combine ingredients in jar; cover and shake vigorously. Makes 1¼ cups.

Green Salad with Anchovies

1 head romaine
1 bunch leaf lettuce
2 tomatoes, cut in wedges
½ cup celery slices
½ cup diced green pepper
½ cup radish slices
¼ cup sliced green onions
1 2-ounce can anchovies, chopped
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3 tablespoons olive or salad oil
2 tablespoons tarragon vinegar
2 tablespoons chopped parsley
¾ teaspoon salt
Dash fresh-ground pepper
½ teaspoon whole basil

Tear greens in bite-size pieces in a bowl; arrange vegetables and anchovies over lettuce. Sprinkle with remaining ingredients. Toss lightly. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

Marinated Artichoke Hearts

Delicious addition to an antipasto tray or as a meat accompaniment—

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each lemon juice and olive oil, 1 clove garlic, crushed, ¼ teaspoon salt, and dash pepper; pour over artichokes. Chill, spooning marinade over a few times. Drain; dash with paprika. Arrange with lemon slices.

Tutti-frutti Tortoni

Ice cream gives this rich dessert modern speed—

Stir 1 pint vanilla ice cream to soften. Add ¼ cup chopped candied fruits and peels, ¼ cup chopped seedless raisins, and rum flavoring to taste. Spoon into 4 or 5 paper bake cups set in muffin pan. Freeze till nearly firm, poke in whole toasted almonds, pointed end down, for trim. Freeze firm.

Cappuccino

This coffeehouse beverage relies on robust Italian coffee and spiced whipped cream for its magnificent flavor—

- ¼ cup instant espresso or instant dark-roast coffee
- 2 cups boiling water
- ½ cup heavy cream, whipped
- Cinnamon, nutmeg, or finely shredded orange peel

Dissolve coffee in boiling water. Pour into small cups (tall ones, like chocolate cups, if you have them), filling only about half full. Offer sugar to those who wish it. Now pass whipped cream—everyone adds a big spoonful, dashes it lightly with cinnamon, nutmeg, or a few flecks of orange peel, then folds the cream into coffee till frothy. Makes 6 or 7 small servings.

Spumone

A Neapolitan dessert spectacular! Yellow and green ribbons of ice cream, and brown and pink layers of frozen whipped cream. Cut this lusciously rich bombe at the table—

For a mold, chill a 1-quart bowl in freezer. Below we tell how to form the beautiful dome-shaped layers, one nested inside the other. To simplify, layer horizontally

Eggnog Layer:

- 1 pint French vanilla ice cream
- Rum flavoring to taste
- 3 maraschino cherries

Stir ice cream just to soften; stir in rum flavoring to taste. Refreeze only enough to be workable. Spread quickly in a layer over bottom and sides of chilled bowl. Place cherries in center. Return to freezer and freeze firm.

Pistachio Layer:

- 1 pint French vanilla ice cream
- ¼ teaspoon pistachio extract
- Few drops green food coloring
- ¼ cup finely chopped unblanched almonds

Stir ice cream just to soften; stir in extract, food coloring, and nuts. Refreeze only enough to be workable. Quickly spread over top and sides of Eggnog Layer. Freeze firm.

Chocolate Layer:

- ½ cup heavy cream
- ¼ cup instant cocoa

Combine cream and instant cocoa; whip until mixture holds in peaks. Quickly spread over Pistachio Layer, covering completely. Freeze.

Raspberry Layer:

- 1 10-ounce package red raspberries or strawberries, thawed
- ½ cup heavy cream
- ¼ cup sifted confectioners' sugar

Drain berries (save syrup for a fruit punch); sieve. Combine cream, confectioners' sugar, and a dash of salt; whip until mixture holds in peaks. Fold in sieved berries. (Add few drops red food coloring, if needed.) Pile into center of mold and smooth top; cover with foil. Freeze 4 hours or overnight.

To serve: Peel off foil. Invert on chilled serving plate. Rub outside of bowl with towel wrung out of warm water to loosen ice cream, lift off bowl. Decorate plate with maraschino cherries (stems on). Top Spumone with cherry, or a sprinkle of chopped almonds or pistachio nuts. Cut in small wedges. Makes 12 servings.

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Cooking for a crowd; autumn fruit salads

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Hints to help you

Cooking for a crowd. What's your specialty for a potluck, company dinner, buffet, or club meeting? Send a recipe for a main dish, casserole, salad, or dessert that serves 8 to 12 guests. It's a plus if recipe is easy and/or inexpensive. Ideas:

company casserole
chicken a la king
tuna bake
shrimp curry
glazed ham or ham loaf
angel-cake torte
bridge cheesecake

Autumn fruit salads. Your choice may be a molded, frozen, or tossed salad—or a fruit plate. Use fruits of the season, or canned or frozen ones. Send along a recipe for a salad dressing, too. Tell us how you get a head start with bottled or mix dressings. Suggestions:

Waldorf salad
jellied pear ring
grapefruit mold
banana-nut salad
twenty-four-hour salad
peach Melba mold
cranberry cups

THIS MONTH'S WINNERS

(*See recipes on pages 87 and 88*)

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Contest rules

1. Write your recipe clearly on one side of the paper and mark it "October Cooking for a Crowd" or "October Fruit Salads." If you wish, send a recipe for each of the two categories.
2. Print your full name and address in upper right corner of paper.
3. Give measurements in *level* cups, tablespoons, teaspoons.
4. Specify brand names of the *nationally* known food products you use as ingredients so we can test your recipe with the same brands.
5. Include 50 to 100 words about the origin of the recipe you submit.
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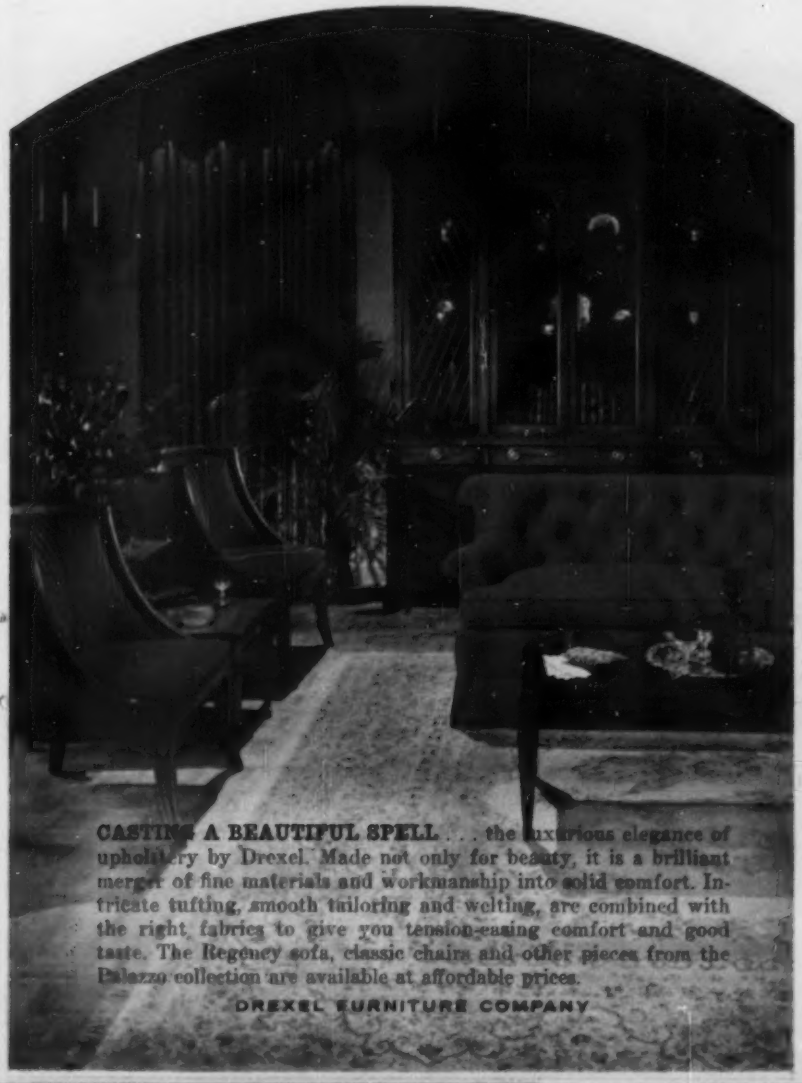

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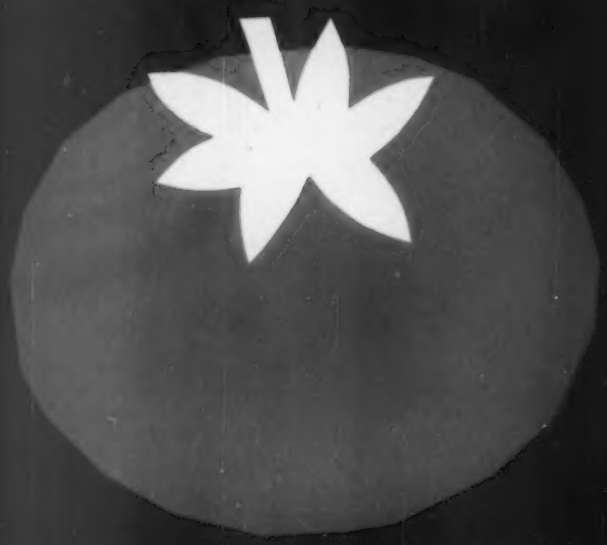

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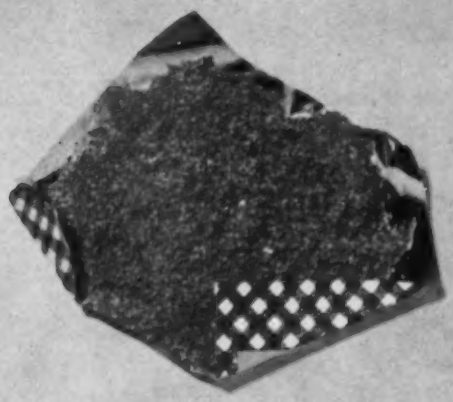

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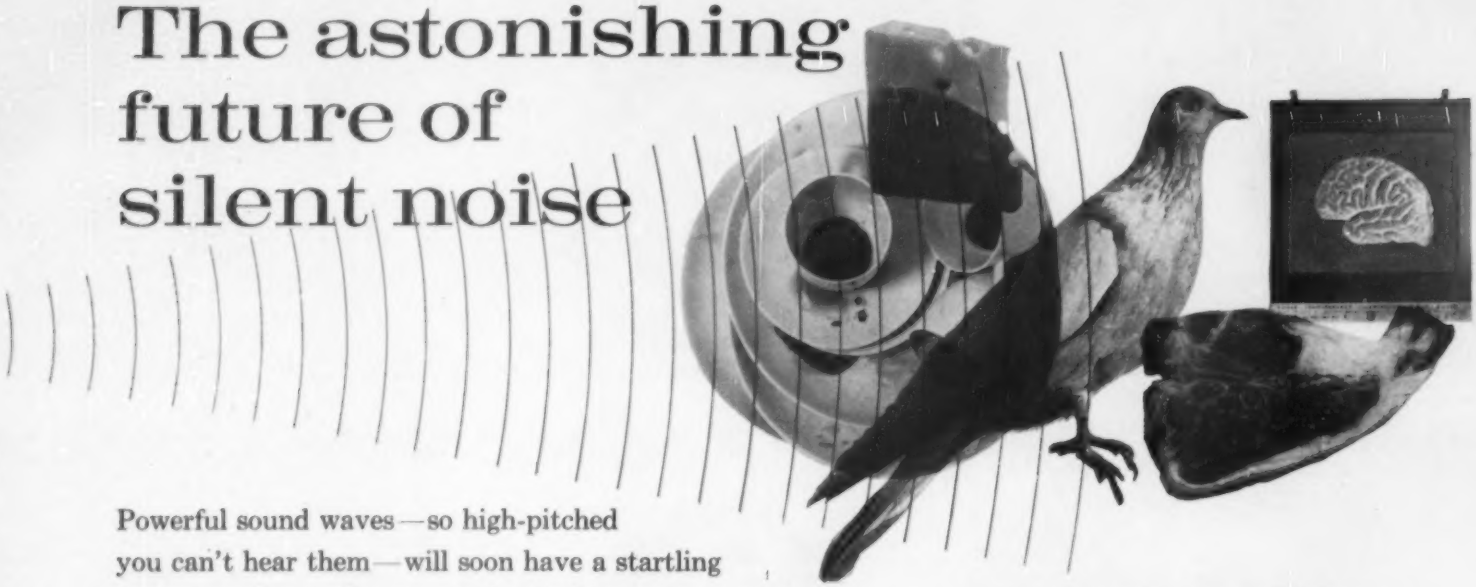

Powerful sound waves—so high-pitched you can't hear them—will soon have a startling impact on the food you eat, the clothing you wear, and the household chores you'd rather not do.

By Walter Ian Fischman

Tonight a housewife in Fresno is washing her supper dishes in a most unusual manner. Holding each plate by the edge, she dunks it into a sink full of clear, no-suds water. After a few seconds, she pulls it out and sloshes it gently through plain water in the adjoining sink compartment, then stands it in a rack to dry. Despite the apparent slapdash quality of her housekeeping, the dish is antiseptically clean.

In a Chicago nutrition laboratory, a famous chef samples a thick slab of charcoal-broiled steak. The meat is chuck—a sinewy cut usually relegated to stew. The chef cuts through the meat easily with an ordinary table knife, tastes it, and declares the texture and flavor to be the equal of aged, prime sirloin.

In an operating room of the University of Illinois Medical School, a skilled neurosurgeon manipulates a massive electronic device suspended above a patient who is suffering from Parkinson's disease. In a matter of minutes, the characteristic involuntary Parkinson tremors subside, never to return.

These three incidents are linked by an amazing scientific breakthrough. The tie that binds them is silent sound—"ultrasonics."

You may already have created silent sound by tuning your TV set with a sound-controlled remote device, or by calling your dog with a "silent" whistle. These two devices were early applications of a science whose horizons now appear almost limitless. Today, ultrasonics can ease the agony of arthritic pains, perform intricate surgery deep within the human brain, ripen cheese, make a better cup of coffee, drill complex holes in steel, weld metals without heat, clean a wrist watch, and say skidoo to pigeons.

Just what is this wondrous new tool? Basically, ultrasonics is noise transported to an entirely new dimension. When the irritating screech of a rusty hinge is raised to a pitch high above human hearing and then magnified till it is one million times more potent than a firehouse siren, it enters a strange domain of almost limitless power.

Before World War II, ultrasonics was just a laboratory curiosity. But as enemy submarines torpedoed more and more American ships, the Navy began a crash program to improve sub detection methods. The result was sonar.

A sonar-equipped destroyer sends out a pulsating high-pitched sound in all directions through the water. In the intervals between "pings," listening equipment carefully measures the echo that comes back. On a viewer very much like a radar screen, submarines show up as little blips of light.

In early models, the pings were audible. But as equipment became more sensitive, the sound waves were pitched above human hearing and made so powerful that sonar can now chart the ocean floor, measure icebergs, and track schools of fish.

Sonar and all other ultrasonic devices start out with alternating electric current. Like water in a shallow, tilting pan, the current rushes in one direction, brakes to a halt, and then reverses. But though ordinary house current reverses at a rate of 60 cycles per second, ultrasonic equipment alternates from 20,000 to 30 million times a second.

When this back-and-forth current shoots into a specially-designed wafer of crystal, the electric energy is translated into a physical movement; the crystal swells and contracts like a heart beat. A bank of these crystals, fastened to the bottom of a tank, can make water pulsate so fast it seems to boil. This "cold boiling" produces the scouring action in the ultrasonic dishwasher and in other specialized cleaning units.

Experimental dishwashers resembling standard automatics have already been built, but the first ultrasonic model to reach the market will probably be an open-sink unit like the ones tested by selected families for more than a year.

Here's what happens in the sink. Invisible but brutally potent shock waves from the crystals rip the water molecules apart. Billions of tiny bubbles appear, but instead of swelling and popping like soap bubbles, they burst inward or "implode." In the process, they blast loose every trace of dirt and food without harming the most fragile china. Even hardened egg yolks and lipstick, banes of standard dishwashers, come off in seconds.

Does it hurt to plunge your hand into this tank of water? No, not for the time it takes to do the dishes. You'll notice an eerie sensation halfway between a tickle and a barely perceptible electric shock. But there is no danger. Of course if you kept your hand in the solution continually for an hour—but who would?—the sound waves would reach the bones of your fingers and wrist, your hand would hurt slightly, and you would automatically withdraw it.

Cleaning up after supper is just one application of ultrasonic scourers. Because the bubbles formed by cold boiling are so tiny, they can reach into minute crevices. Some metropolitan hospitals are now using silent sound to clean large batches of hypodermics. The busy bubbles go to [*Turn to page 106*

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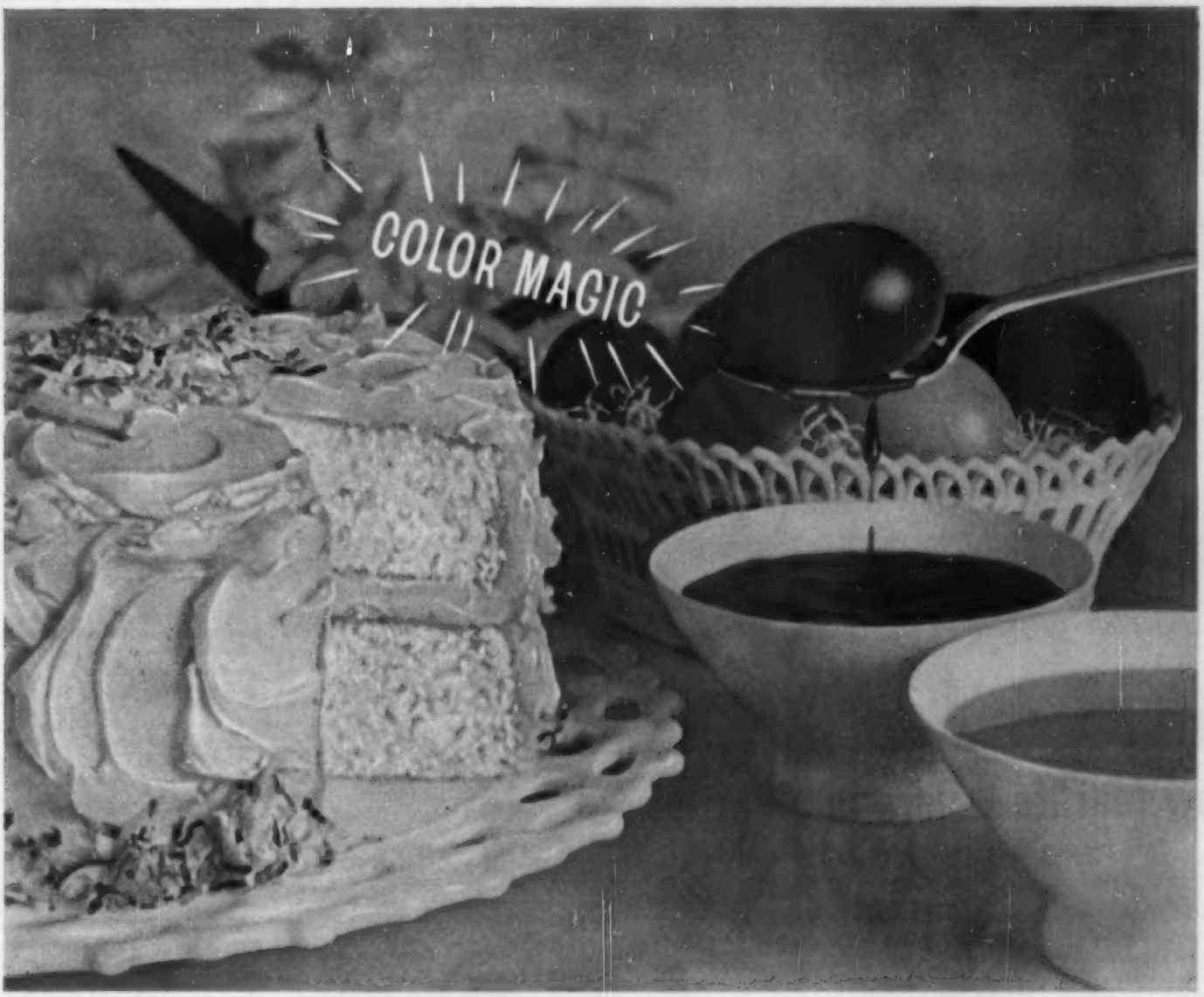

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Here's why. The impact of ultrasonic vibrations can make a floating haze of dust clump up into heavy particles that fall to the ground. Such a device in the heating system of your home would remove every particle of dust and smoke—as well as sneeze-producing pollen. Giant units have been installed in factories to prevent pollution of the air. All that remains is to scale down the mechanism to home size.

Silent sound will make airplane travel much safer in the future. Highly encouraging experiments at Orly Field in France indicate that ultrasonic shock waves can dispel fog by clumping the vapor into heavy droplets. Planes coming in on instrument control will be able to switch over to visual landing procedure when they come within range of the ground-based fog blasters.

Ultrasonic energy will give you better tasting foods at lower prices. No longer must you save tough cuts of meat for the stew-pot or hamburger grinder. Beef tenderized with silent sound has none of the flabbiness that chemical tenderizers often produce. Since harder materials are more affected by ultrasonic waves, the energy breaks down sinews and gristle while the rest of the meat retains its original firm texture, natural juices, and full flavor.

A stewing chicken, after a brief ultrasonic treatment, can very well pass for a broiler or fryer. What's more, sound blasting (unlike chemical tenderizing) inhibits bacteria growth and so actually helps preserve the meat.

In the future, the life of a steer will probably be ultrasonically directed. On the range, roving sonar units will check him for plumpness. At the slaughterhouse, his carcass will be cleaned by sound waves and cut up by ultrasonically vibrated knives before being tenderized by more silent sound.

Your steaming cup of coffee may soon have a richer flavor and aroma without a trace of bitterness—because of ultrasonics. Pulsating sound waves will blast millions of microscopic holes in each green coffee bean. This honeycomb effect helps the roasting remove all the coffee oils that impart a strong taste to the brew.

The same process applied to corn, rice, kidney beans and other dried foods eliminates the long soaking period before they can be cooked.

Cheese reacts surprisingly to sound blasting. For some reason scientists don't fully understand, a wheel of cheese exposed to silent sound will ripen in half its normal time without altering flavor. The reduced storage time will mean lower price tags at your neighborhood dairy counter.

Ultrasonics can have a homogenizing effect far more permanent than mechanical mixing. On the shelves of grocery stores will be salad dressings that won't separate, peanut butter that remains forever creamy, and honey that refuses to crystallize no matter how long you store it. Sauces packed in glass bottles will stay uniform in color, and a whole host of new bottled, ready-to-eat puddings is now possible.

Some applications of ultrasonics come very close to fantasy. Scientists now tell us it is entirely possible to make cloth last almost forever. Coats could be handed down from father to son to grandson; a pair of socks could be worn and washed every day for 20 years without wearing out.

Responsible for this longevity is an obscure oriental plant called *ramie* that grows with a built-in problem. It used to be almost impossible to get the textile part of the fiber loose from the rest of the plant, but ultrasonics can now do the job. As soon as the process moves from the laboratory to the production line, *ramie* will be combined with such staples as cotton, wool, and many synthetics to produce the most durable clothing you've ever worn.

The possible benefits of ultrasonics are just about endless. For example, many insects are highly sensitive to sounds pitched above human hearing—and that fact may be their undoing. Inconspicuous ultrasonic radiators placed about your lawn can create an invisible mosquito net. Although these outdoor units are still being developed, engineers are confident that the same ultrasonic devices will some day banish weevils, mites, and other pests from your garden.

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The method even works on pigeons, starlings, and other birds that invade cities. As yet, the sound blasters can cover only a limited area, but eventually they may blanket entire towns with silent sound to keep them free of pests.

The medical possibilities of ultrasonics are just beginning to be realized. So far, doctors find they can use ultrasonics in three ways: for diagnosis, for surgical treatment, and for relief of pain.

Physicians are now able to direct sound waves to specific areas deep within the human body and then chart the echoes on a screen that looks like a fluoroscope. Unlike X rays, sound waves "see" soft tissues like muscles and tendons with extreme clarity.

With no danger of radiation exposure, doctors can take a long look at brain tumors, examine defects involving eye muscles, and even make a leisurely study of the vascular system. This preoperative work can pinpoint the location of tumors, speed up surgery, and even eliminate the need for many exploratory operations.

In brain surgery, silent sound may partially replace the scalpel. Much of the pioneer work in this new field of ultrasonic neurosurgery has been done by Dr. William Fry, head of the Biophysical Research Laboratory at the University of Illinois. Working first with laboratory animals, he devised the procedure for destroying ganglia (non-cancerous growths) with sound waves.

As an operative tool, ultrasonics is selective. It can dissolve portions of white matter in the brain (where tumors form) without affecting the gray matter that controls body functions; it can destroy specific nerves without damaging surrounding areas.

For this work, Doctor Fry uses a special ultrasonic radiator that focuses the sound waves. Four of these sound blasters are grouped so their beams converge on an area as small as one-tenth of a cubic millimeter. (The period at the end of this sentence is larger.)

The same ultrasonic impulses, spread over a larger area, are able to kill pain. Combined with standard diathermy equipment, they make the deep heat even more effective in combating arthritic pains. Sound blasting dramatically reduces the agony associated with certain types of shingles. It can also ease the hypersensitivity to a mere touch that sometimes follows a stroke.

In the alleviation of pain, one of the most elusive problems is "phantom pain" following amputations. The patient complains of suffering in fingers and toes that no longer exist. Until recently, treatment (with narcotics) was relatively ineffective. Now ultrasonics—the sound no one can hear—completely eliminates pain in the limb that isn't there.

In industry, sound blasting has turned many "impossible" jobs into routine procedure. For example, hard-to-handle metals like aluminum can now be welded without heat or distortion.

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A variation of this technique has produced an ultrasonic dentist's drill that is vibration-free and almost painless.

With all these successes in the field of silent sound, scientists are confident that in the not-distant future, ultrasonics will be a household word. One interesting development from overseas recently helped to confirm their optimism: *Ultrasonics is now considered so important by the Russians that they claim to have invented the whole business.*

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Where does your child learn about sex?

By Roger Hern

Never before in our history has there been so much school and public sex education. Never before have children been so thoroughly "instructed." And never before has there been so much teen-age sexual delinquency; as much teen-age cynicism and amorality; as much sex experimentation; as many premaritally pregnant teen-age brides; as many young unmarried mothers; as much venereal disease; and as much open promiscuity among children.

Why this seeming contradiction? Part of the problem is due to poor, ill-advised, and ill-timed teaching.

In one Midwest junior high school, boys and girls of 10 and 11 are herded in together to see a sex education film that not only explains the physiological nature of the sex act, but demonstrates with drawings and diagrams how it is done. (*When these same children reach high school in this town, their biology textbooks will not include the human reproductive system!*) They are also told that every act of intercourse results in a baby, and the horrors of venereal disease are impressed on their minds. One little girl who received this instruction, learning that VD can be transmitted by kissing, was so terrified she refused to kiss members of her family. It took much explaining to relieve her.

This kind of scare-teaching is not atypical. A YMCA sex-education lecturer, whose audiences are also children of 10 years old or so, concentrates heavily on such topics as masturbation, abortion, prostitution, and VD. Like the school people above, his idea of education is to try scaring the boys with sex in the hope they will avoid it. As a technique, it is about as effective as telling boys to drive slow because fast driving causes accidents.

Poor teaching in itself, however, is not a fault that can be remedied with good teaching. Sex information as such represents just half the problem as far as any individual child is concerned.

"The kind of sex information a child receives," says a veteran social worker, "is not as important as some other factors. If the teacher is someone the child dislikes, the child may reject that teaching. Children learn most from people they like, and this includes sex. This may explain in part why children accept the sex information they pick up from friends and playmates. This also applies to parents, and shows why even a parent's teachings about sex depend on a warm, friendly, and trusting relationship with the child."

In line with this, some professionals who work with sexually delinquent children believe that sex classes in school have caused some of the delinquency. These experts believe that it was an expression of revolt against a disliked school or teacher—just as, in so many cases, such delinquency was an expression of revolt against the standards of parents with whom there was conflict.

Others in social work believe that overly frank discussions of sex in school tend to give sex an "approved" status, with a resultant lowering of inhibitions between youngsters. If it is all right for them to discuss sex openly at school, it seems much less sinful or forbidden to experiment sexually on their own.

While no one wants to go back to the days of lifelong disgrace for an unwed mother and child, overfamiliarity with—casualness toward—sex makes more difficult the problems of control.

Thus it is that many otherwise responsible teen-agers, aroused by their own emotions, schooled in the physiology of sex, with access to "foolproof" contraceptives, urged on by maudlin songs and sexually stimulating magazines and movies, seeing an apparent social approval of premarital sex, may not have, or sense, the need for sexual control.

Control cannot be taught by outsiders, for it is something that is not learned, but lived. Control is the expression of sex education, as opposed to sex information. And whether or not a child has control is not primarily a question of sexual knowledge.

"The problem," say people who work with sexually uncontrolled children, "is that of living an integrated life. The self-confident, secure child is not dominated by any one of his emotions or drives, and is much less likely to make sexual mistakes than the child who is at loose ends emotionally."

Most commonly, sexual delinquents of this kind prove to be people with a strong sense of personal unworthiness. Sex was the price they paid to be needed, admired, sought after, "loved," and made to feel important to someone.

If it were just a matter of sex *information*, the same girls wouldn't be coming back a second and a third time. These sex problems aren't separate, physical difficulties. They're symptoms of a life that is out of balance.

Some of the girls are sick psychologically. Others were in revolt, through sex, against their parents, seeking in this way to gain attention from parents they felt had neglected or rejected them.

It is the nature of the home, the relationship of the parents, and the child's relationship with the parents, that most often determine what the child feels and does about sex.

At home, a child sees, in his parents, how a man and a woman live together. The quality of that relationship, of which he is a result and a part, will have more effect on his sexual beliefs and control than what he is merely told—in or out of the home.

If his parents are warm, affectionate people who show love and respect for each other and for their children, a child will absorb a sexual goal that will enable him to retain emotional and physical control, and that will protect him from the worst kind of "information" and the worst attacks on his standards and feelings. END

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MARCH GARDENING

Northeast and Midwest Region

THE miracle of spring is nearly here—and it is little less than a miracle that all the garden tasks somehow get done at this season. So here are some ways to get a jump on spring that will result in a harvest of benefits.

Soil checkup: If you didn't test your soil for pH (degree of acidity or alkalinity) last year, better do so now. It is very difficult to make corrections during periods of active growth. After the next dry spell, dig out a few spoonfuls of soil from about 4 inches under the surface of each bed. Be sure to label each sample and note on it what you are growing and what you are planning to grow on it in the future. Some nurseries provide free tests or you can mail your samples to the County Agricultural Agent in your county. With the test results, you will be able to make corrections for better growth of plants.

Soil conditioning: Start getting your soil ready as soon as possible. But do not work it up when wet; you will destroy its texture. You can take steps to help dry it out. If possible, fill any low spots where water collects; turn the soil over, being sure to dig deep; then leave it alone until dry enough to work it. Last spring, I tried something a bit different which I now heartily recommend. I stretched a black polyethylene plastic mulch over the flower and vegetable beds long before planting time. The mulch helped warm the soil and prevented weeds from starting until my transplants and seeds could go into the ground.

Hot beds: If you already have a cold frame, an additional small investment in about 20 feet of heating cable and a thermostat will put you weeks ahead of other gardeners. Remove all the soil from the frame and stretch out the cable along the bottom in lines about 6 inches apart; attach the thermostat to the inside of the cold frame, then replace the soil. Set the thermostat at 55-60 degrees.

Seed-starting schedules: I can't give you specific dates for every part of our region, because local conditions vary so much, but I would guess that most gardeners wait too long to get seeds started. By now, you should have sown lettuce, cabbage, broccoli, petunias, snapdragons, salvia, and pinks in the southern half of our region—two to four weeks later in the North. Don't forget to treat seeds with a fungicide to prevent damping-off fungus.

Substitutes for flats: Although nurseries continue to use wooden flats to grow large quantities of transplants, the home gardener can simplify this. A good substitute is round cottage-cheese containers. Cut a hole in the bottom of one, large enough to insert half the length of a two-inch tightly rolled wad of absorbent cotton. The cotton serves as a "wick" that supplies constant moisture to the soil in the container. Rest this container inside another one which you keep filled with water and the wick will do the rest. You can also drill holes in the bottom of a plastic kitchen silverware tray. The tray has many advantages over a flat—it will not rot, can be scrubbed clean, and it robs no moisture from the seedlings.

WHERE YOU LIVE!

Lawn care: Reseed any bare spots on your lawn now. Don't try to work the soil at this time, just seed directly on the surface—the spring thaws and freezes will create crevices to hold the seed. Throughout our region, use only bluegrass-fescue seed mixtures. Both are perennial and will result in a fine turf. Avoid any seed mixtures containing quantities of rye grass.

Perennial borders: Established plantings will need some care in the next few weeks. But don't make the mistake of trying to do it all at once. Let the weather and soil conditions be your guide. Winter-mulched perennials should have their coverings loosened, but not removed completely as they will need the protection if late frosts threaten. Last year's stalks and any dead foliage should be carefully removed from the living plants. Check established iris plantings carefully as old foliage harbors eggs of the iris borer. If the soil is not too wet, you can transplant or divide many perennials. If you do, try to move the plants with a good sized ball of soil around their roots. Replant immediately, then soak well with water. The plants will never know they have been moved. Don't attempt to divide hardy mums now, though. It's too early to set out dahlias, cannas, and gladiolus, but leave space for them if you're rearranging your borders.

Fruit-tree planting: No gardener should miss the graceful growth, springtime blossoms, and fresh taste of fruit from his own trees. With the development of new dwarf varieties (the fruit is the same size as that from standard trees), even the suburban gardener can work a good selection into his landscape. Don't let the old-time gardeners talk you out of these. In years past, you sometimes planted a headache with each fruit tree, but new developments in culture and pest control have changed that concept. Available now is a wide selection of dwarf apples, pears, plums, peaches, and cherries. Be sure to choose varieties that have been developed specifically for your area or have been approved by your state experiment station. Your local nurseryman is a reliable guide in helping you make a selection. I do suggest buying two-year-old trees rather than those of bearing age. You are likely to have just as much success that way, and the trees are much less expensive—the younger trees will bear nearly at the same time.

Reminders: Plan to attend one of the many home, garden, and flower shows this month. . . . Your compost heap should be turned now. You might find that some of it is already suitable for putting on flower and vegetable beds. To speed up decomposition, keep it moist and add an activator chemical. . . . Use heavy doses of weed killer designed especially for gravel walks and driveways to save weeding time later in the year. . . . Last year's wet spring and summer in many parts of our region encouraged apple scab fungus (symptoms are blackening of leaves and young twigs, sparse foliage, and early leaf fall). In some places, damage was severe. The overwintering fungus spores can cause trouble again this season. To prevent it, start your fungicide spraying program earlier this spring, and be certain that your coverage of the trees is thorough. Plant-food applications this month will also help restore vigor of trees.

—Peter Farb

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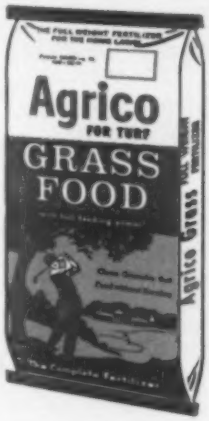

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How to make a belt loop

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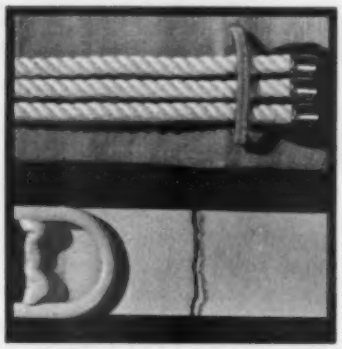
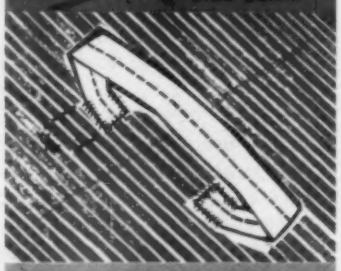


Belt loops can be made of fabric or thread (see photograph), depending on garment's fabric and available materials.

Finished loops are about a ¼-inch longer than belt width.

Begin belt loop ¼ its length above waistline seam. This placement of loops controls the tendency of a belt to work upward, keeps it covering waistline.

So you'll know exactly where to attach the loops, mark the loops' beginning and ending points on side seams.



Fabric loops. Cut 2 fabric strips ¾-inch longer than belt width. Fold; stitch lengthwise. Fasten thread to one end; draw it through fabric tube with bodkin, turning band inside out.

Turn ends under a ¼ inch: sew loops at markings on garment.

Thread loops. Secure double thread at top marking. Make a loop to lower mark; fasten it. Take another loop back to the top mark; secure it.

Beginning at the top, cover these 4 threads with a buttonhole or blanket stitch.

Crocheted belt loop. Thread needle with a doubled strand; knot ends together. Draw threads to topside; make a big loop.

Reach through loop with left middle finger to needle threads. Draw loop to fabric, forming a second loop. Continue to needed length. Fasten it securely.

Doris Pinney

Your baby's wonderful hands

When your baby, at about 8 or 8½ months, picks up a tiny morsel of food by forming a pincer of his thumb and index finger, you may not realize it, but this is a milestone in his development. It represents a highly precise use of his hand and a fine degree of co-ordination between the nerves and muscles that control his fingers and the nerves and muscles that control his eyes.

Of course, at first, Baby uses his newly developed ability only to bring the picked-up object to his mouth. So you must be certain things within his reach small enough to go in his mouth are substances that can be eaten safely.

There's nothing more fascinating than watching the patterns of development of your baby's hands, understanding a little of the complex system by which his hands and eyes supplement each other, and witnessing a culmination of this co-ordination. It is as exciting as Baby's first steps, almost as thrilling as his first words, and much more dramatic than his first tooth.

Babies are born with the ability to clasp the fingers over the palm. Remember, when your newborn infant was brought to you and you laid your forefinger in his helpless-looking little hand, the tender surprise you felt as the tiny fingers curled firmly around your finger?

A few months later, your baby could hold a rattle and look at it while he held it. His eyes and his hands were beginning to work together. In this same period, his hands discovered each other, too. The fingers of one hand would feel the fingers of the other hand.

A few more months, and his eye and hand control advanced to the stage where he could spot a toy within reach, stretch out an arm, and grasp it, bang it, bring it to his mouth, drop it, pick it up again if it fell where he could get it. He was able, too, to see an object as small as a quarter-inch cube but still, it was a couple of months more before he could pick it up with the fine co-ordination of thumb and index finger we have mentioned. Because the eyes are so important to the development of the brain, they progress in ability well ahead of the hands.

Soon after he achieves the delicate precision with which he picks up a tiny morsel, Baby will begin poking and probing with extended forefinger to investigate shape, size, and texture. He will poke his finger inside his cup, thus helping his eyes to grasp the concept of the inside and outside of a container, of hollowness, of roundness, of edges.

He learns to hold an object in each hand simultaneously and to bring them together, and to separate them. He is grasping the concept of "two," though the word means nothing, as yet.

Then, when he's a toddler, he'll give you an even more advanced demonstration of the co-ordination developing between his brain, his eyes, and his fingers. He'll pick up that morsel and drop it carefully into a container with a small opening—such as his plastic, play bottle. He is learning to repress that instinct to bring everything to his mouth. He foregoes it in favor of the much more exciting experiment of transferring the object to the bottle.

And it's quite an accomplishment, isn't it, as you think back to the tiny, curled-up hands with which he was born? Man walks upright in order to free his hands for the high levels of achievement of which they are capable. Your baby is getting on with his business as a member of the human race.

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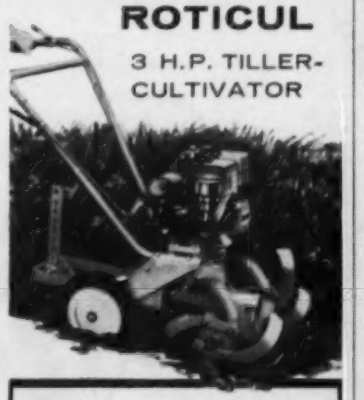

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High-speed driving cuts tire life

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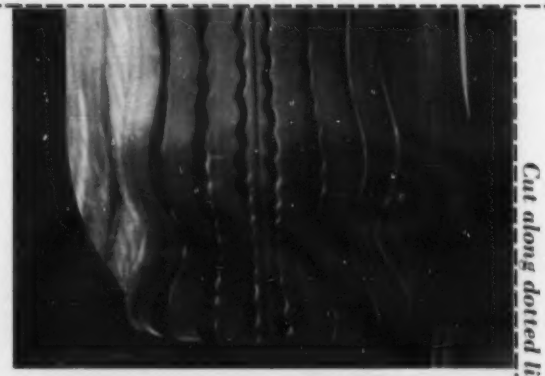
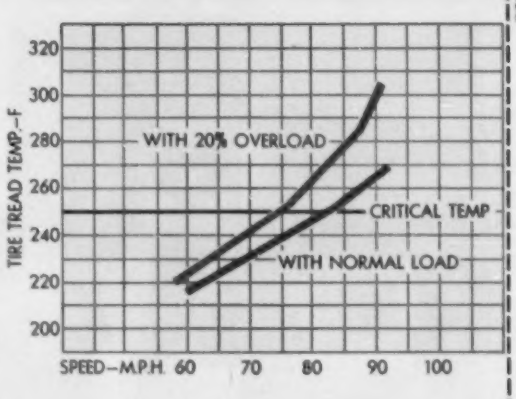
Distortion can cause a small cut or break to enlarge in a hurry, causing severe damage or a blowout.



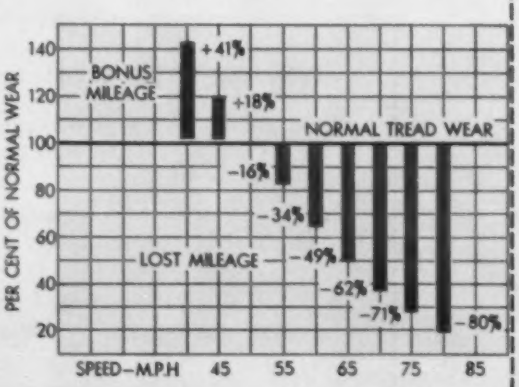
High speed builds up tire-destroying heat, as does overloading. Note in the table at right that the temperature at 60 mph is about 212 degrees—safe. But at 80 mph, it rises to 250 degrees.

This is hot enough to weaken a tire badly. Also, a 20% overload will produce 250 degrees at 70 mph, which explains many vacation tire failures.



This table shows how speed affects tire life. Notice that normal wear is set at 50 mph. Speed produces heat, and hot tread wears away more quickly.

The percentage of wear is way out of proportion to the speed you drive. Notice that a tire driven at 40 mph will run seven times as long as one driven at 80 mph. Speed costs money.



High speed turns wear tread shoulders badly. Taking corners at high speed throws the weight on the edge of the tread, causing premature wear.

You can easily tell this type of wear from the kind caused by underinflation, which leaves the extreme edges of the tread high. This is a common symptom of fast city driving.

Cut along dotted lines

Get more miles from your tires

You spend a lot of money when you have to reshoe the family vehicle—money that you wish would go farther when you're trying to work that new set of tires into your family's budget.

There is a lot you can do to make those tires go farther. In fact, you can probably do more to cut your cost of transportation with good tire management than in any other way except gasoline mileage. Good tire care is simple, takes little time—and pays off.

Getting into the habit of regular, frequent inspection of your tires is the first step in increasing tire mileage. You'll learn to spot troubles, such as misalignment and underinflation, early.

You'll also catch damage that may be repaired, and save a tire that would otherwise blow out. The best time to check is when your car is on the grease rack.

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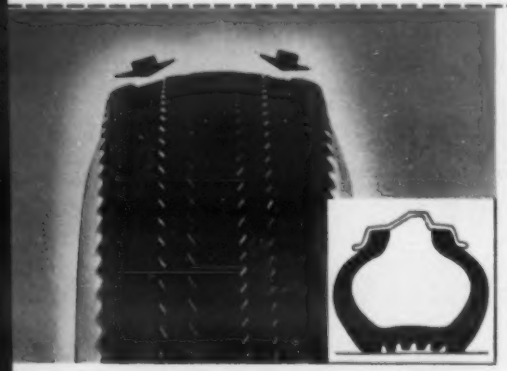
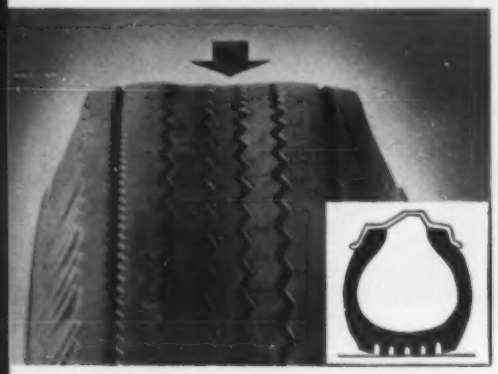


Proper inflation costs nothing, saves plenty

Underinflation causes abnormal wear at sides of tread and shortens the life of tires. This is because they run hotter and the outer edges carry the load, while the center tends to flex up away from the road.

Tires should be checked every two weeks and returned to proper pressure whenever found to be underinflated.

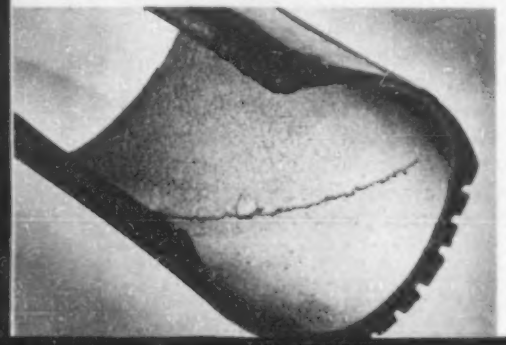


Overinflation causes abnormal wear in the center of the tread, also shortening tire life. This type of wear occurs because the center of the tread carries more than its share of the load.

When checking for overinflation, *do not* bleed out excess pressure caused by high speed driving on hot pavement. Tires are made to handle this excess.

Driving even a short distance on a badly underinflated or flat tire is almost certain to produce irreparable damage. In addition to cord damage, as shown here, separation can occur.

The plies of fabric in the tire casing may separate, or the tread may separate from the fabric, or both. Overloading and speed cause this, too.



Overinflation causes breaks in fabric because the body of the tire is unable to absorb ordinary shocks that occur while driving. These failures usually take some time to show up after the damage is done.

The breaks are either straight, as shown, or form an X. Sidewall breaks are also more likely to happen.

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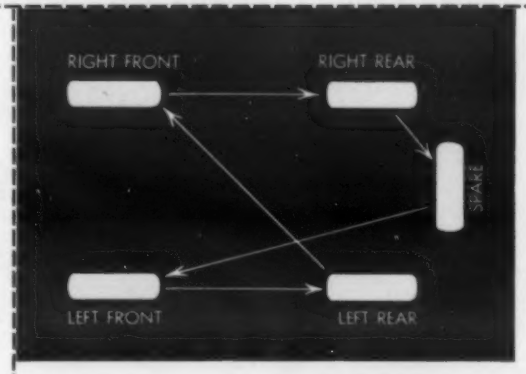
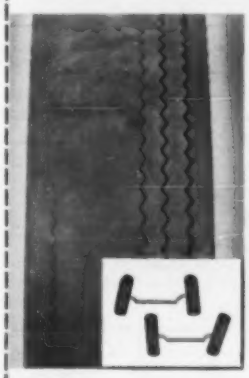


Keep wheels balanced, rotated, and aligned

Tires in various positions on your car wear differently. By rotating them as shown on this chart, you minimize excessive wear on any of the tires.

Front tires especially are apt to receive more wear than back ones, both from cornering too fast and misalignment. Rotating every 3-5,000 miles assures longest life per set of tires.



Misalignment ruins tires fast. Excess wear on one side of the tread is caused by faulty camber (left). Feathering of tread comes from poor toe-in adjustment, which drags tires over the road.

Imbalance causes front-end shimmy and scooped out places in tread (not shown). Have wheels checked for alignment and balance every 10,000 miles.

Driving tips that save tires

- Slow down on the highway, especially on days when the pavement is hot or when your car is overloaded.
- Slow down in town when going around corners. Posted speed limits are for straightaway driving, not cornering.
- Avoid jack-rabbit starts from traffic lights. Even though you don't "peal rubber," a fast getaway is hard on tires.
- Don't slam on the brakes every time you stop. Let your engine do most of the braking, then ease on the brakes gradually.
- Have your service station attendant check tire pressure every time he checks oil, radiator, and battery.
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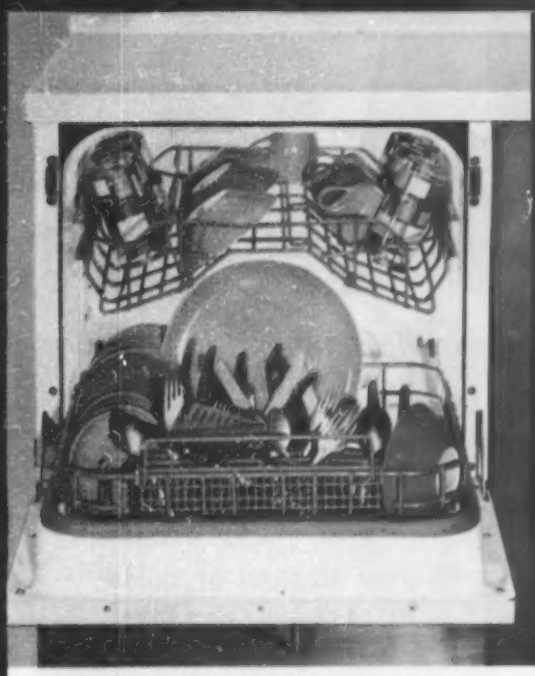

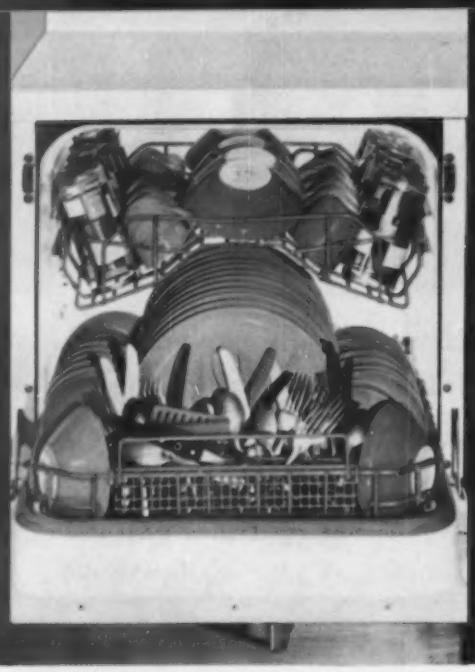

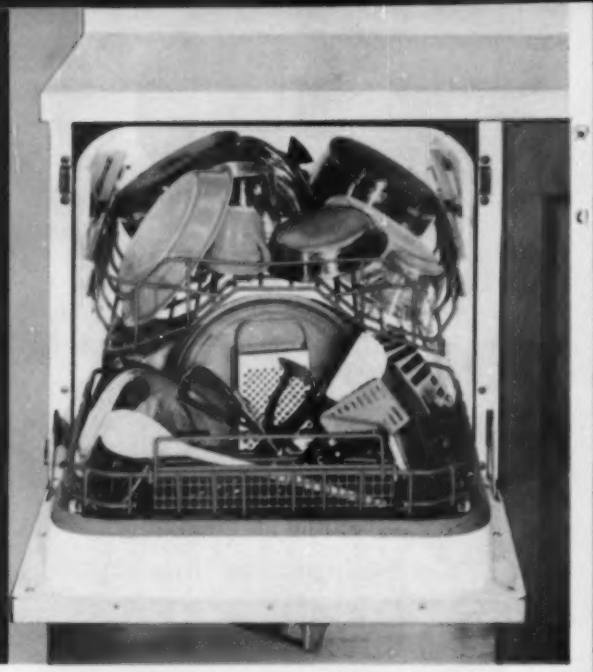

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Hiring home improvement

How to go about making final plans, selecting a contractor, and getting started with a major addition to your home.

Before you make an alteration or addition to your home, you must do some advance planning. The major part of any planning program is deciding exactly what you want. The feature beginning on page 39 of this issue will help you do that. Begin your planning by making a list of features and equipment you'd like your project to include. Put down actual areas if you can, and list the types of materials and finishes you'd like. Make the list as detailed as possible, but don't be afraid to change your mind.

To help in this preplanning, check over your back issues of *Better Homes & Gardens*, noting and clipping ideas which appeal to you. Next, visit friends who've made similar improvements.

Then make a rough sketch of the way you visualize the finished product. Your artistic ability isn't important because even a very rough sketch will help you clarify your ideas and explain them to the man you hire to do the job. It should be drawn to scale if possible, so use a piece of graph paper to help keep everything in proper proportion. The sketch will prove invaluable even if your next step takes you to an architect.

Consider engaging an architect if your project is a major one—say anything costing $1,000 or more. We suggest that you get this professional guidance because an architect's fee is but a small percentage of the cost of the job, and his experience and competence usually will give better results. Choose an architect who's interested in your remodeling problems (a few minutes' conversation will help you decide this), and show him what you've drawn. He'll ask questions, make suggestions, probably point out improvements you hadn't even thought of, even offer help in hiring a builder. Another service the architect can perform is checking to make sure your proposed improvement doesn't violate any building or zoning regulations. If you're not consulting an architect, however, you should check this important matter for yourself *before* seeing a building contractor.

Select your builder carefully. Not all contractors are specialists in home improvements, but a look through the yellow pages will tell you which ones are. Call one or two of these and ask them for the names of other people who've had similar work done. A reputable contractor will have no objection to your calling satisfied customers—he'll probably encourage you to do so. If you can, it's a pretty good idea to inspect some of the builder's previous work yourself. While you can't judge it fully, the things you *can* judge—quality of finishes and trim, attention to details, condition after a few months' use—will tell you a lot about his probable competence and conscientiousness.

The importance of hiring a reputable, qualified contractor cannot be overemphasized. Your new home improvement not only represents a considerable investment, but can directly affect your family's health, comfort, and safety. Don't take chances on "bargain" offers, especially from part-time "handymen" who offer to do the work cheaply at night, on weekends, or at odd hours. Cheap construction is never a bargain. Usually, the initial saving is more than canceled out by inconvenience, discomfort, expensive repair and alteration, and potential danger. The only way to insure reliable construction is to hire a reliable contractor. Here again, consulting an architect is an added guarantee that the builder will perform as expected, because the architect is available to supervise construction for you.

Make your wishes perfectly clear so that your contractor won't proceed in his own way and end up by steering the easiest course. It's important to be positive, firm, and *exact* in dealing with the contractor.

If you've consulted an architect, he'll prepare for you a complete specifications list and a set of working drawings for the builder to follow. Both of these items are extremely important, and you should not proceed without them. If you are dealing directly with a builder, have him prepare both detailed specifications and drawings before you sign the contract. You can help him by giving him all the material you've prepared in advance—your list of desired features, your clippings, and your sketches.

Then discuss these with him fully and carefully, making sure he understands and agrees to your specifications. Have him put as much of the agreement in writing as possible, with the specific provision that no substitutions in material or equipment are to be made without your approval (and don't approve any that you're not completely familiar with.)

If you want to double check, call in another contractor and get a second estimate to find out if the first is in line with prevailing prices. When work begins, it's a good idea to look around occasionally to make sure things are being done correctly and well, but *don't* get in the way! You'll not only antagonize the workmen, but possibly prevent their doing an efficient job. If you decide to make inspections, be thorough but discreet at the same time.

Finally, approach the purchase of home improvements the same way you'd buy anything else—with caution and common sense. Don't pay for the work until you're satisfied, and don't pay anything in advance.

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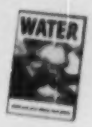

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DECORATING NEWS worth noting

Recent trend-setting decorating shows have emphasized the old-world "Mediterranean look" in furniture, color schemes, and accessories. Traditional styles, like Louis XVI and French Empire, are becoming more and more popular with our country's designers and decorators. Spanish, Portuguese, and Italian decorating influences are equally evident, along with a good representation of English, Early American, Far East, and Victorian decor. Such variety means there's something for every taste and budget—if you can just make up your mind!

Color schemes seem to have come right from the old masters' palettes. The yellows range from pale cream to bright gold to soft bronze. Reds turn from yellow-red to purple-red, then fade out to pink. These yellows and reds are stunning with black-and-white, beiges, and browns. Greens vary from yellow-green and emerald-green to grayed greens that sometimes look almost black. Other colors you will find in draperies, floor coverings, upholstery fabrics, and accessories are the green-blue combinations, off-white, lavenders, purples, and bright blues.

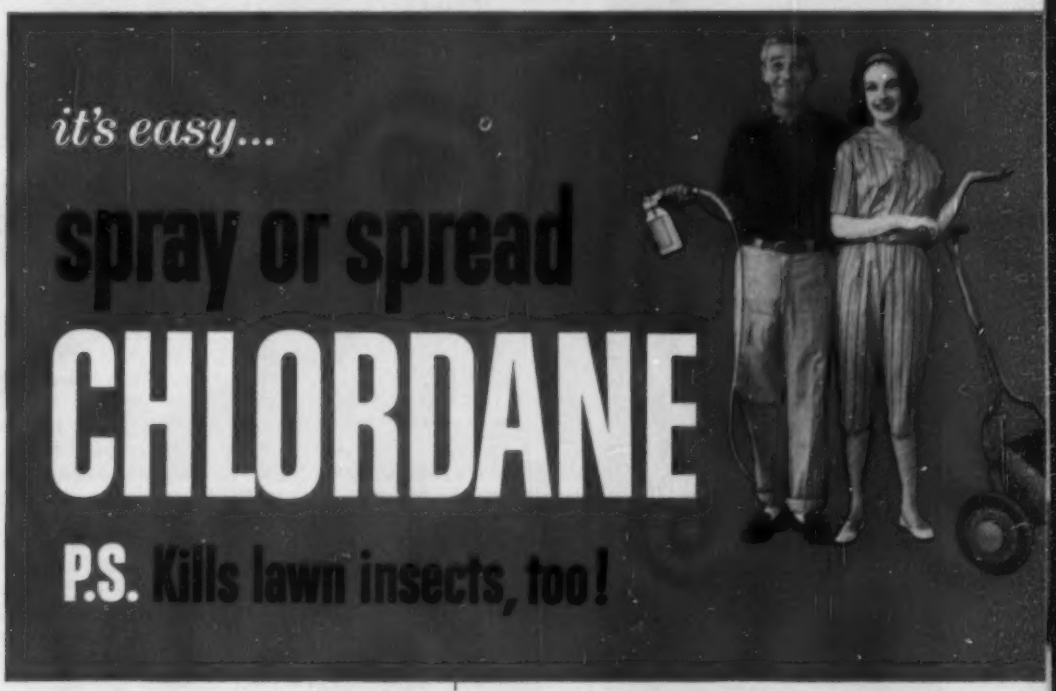
Accessory shops are stocking fine reproductions of French antiques, old navigating instruments and maps, Oriental art objects, facsimiles of leaded stained-glass panels, and Contemporary original art works—all to help you create the fashionable, old-world atmosphere.

Wall coverings run the gamut from weathered wood, felt, and other fabrics to all sorts of man-made plastic coverings. And wallpaper is staging a comeback! Revivals include elegant flocked papers, scenic papers, wide borders, and flamboyant florals. Drapery fabrics are equally diversified. Art Nouveau, a style of the Victorian era, is a dominating influence. Characteristic motifs of this style are the lily, the sunflower, and the peacock, all detailed in curving, flowing lines. But one warning to those of you living in small rooms: these extravagant patterns lose their smart effect when used in small spaces.

If you do have big rooms with big windows, note this: unusual or elaborate window treatments are in vogue. Star attractions are the Roman shade, the Austrian curtain (both are revivals from yesteryear), and draperies of fabrics that match the wallpaper.

Carpet and rug colors span the rainbow. Polished wood floors are highlighted with eye-catching area rugs. Hard-surface flooring materials are gayer, too; bold geometric patterns in bright colors—even plaids—rival fake stone, wood, brick, slate, and other imitations of nature.

And for the children's rooms: furniture that lasts from crib to college. New, man-made furniture finishes, upholstery materials, and glues are being combined to produce furniture that's just about indestructible.



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When BABY starts to crawl

By Ann Usher

When your baby takes to all fours during the last quarter of his first year, he's not only getting where he wants to go, he's also doing exercise that's wonderful for his back, leg, and arm muscles.

In addition to being good exercise, crawling is Baby's means of satisfying his very important need to explore his world.

Not all babies "crawl," in the usual meaning of that word. Some scoot around sitting down. Others wiggle forward on their tummies. But either way, the crawling stage introduces a big problem for you. From now on, Baby will be able to get to the things that interest him, whether they're good for him or not. And if he's kept in his playpen for long periods during this stage, he's likely to sit down more than he crawls, and thus miss the physical and mental workout. So it's up to you to arrange for him to pursue his investigations safely.

It's true you can't give him unlimited freedom to navigate where he will. But, while it isn't *easy* to work with him underfoot, dusting the furniture and floors, straightening and picking up, can all be done while your youngster is crawling about. And, with hall and closet doors closed, he can stay in the bedrooms with you while you make the beds.

Wastebaskets will be a sure-fire attraction for Baby. He'll poke in them, tear paper, possibly overturn the baskets; so the fewer papers in them, the better. And you must be careful not to throw empty medicine bottles, broken glass, or any other dangerous objects in the wastebaskets. Caution other members of the family against dumping ash trays in them—for you know who'll be putting cigarette ends in his mouth.

Disconnect and wind lamp cords around their bases during the day. Electric outlets near floors should have safety covers. Fasten screen doors when inner doors are open.

Survey your rooms for breakable and hazardous things which are within your little explorer's reach. Such objects—plus anything you value highly—should be moved to higher shelves.

But don't leave the low shelves bare. Safe bric-a-brac (unbreakable, with no sharp corners or edges) should be placed where Baby can have the fun of noticing them, crawling over, and handling them.

Definitely draw the crawling line at the kitchen door. Baby should never be allowed to crawl there. There's just too much risk of his being injured or getting at cleaning compounds or other possibly poisonous materials.

Some parents feel that Baby should learn not to touch forbidden objects, and spend a great deal of time saying, "No, no!" Some "no's" are necessary, of course, but your infant needs to handle and investigate everything he safely can, and you don't want to deprive him of this privilege. Moving unsafe things to safe places is simpler —and surer.

If you have stairs in your home, have a gate at least at the head of the stairway. Be sure it is closed and locked when Baby is crawling around upstairs.

And if there's no similar barricade at the foot of the stairs, keep an eye on your prowler when he's exploring the downstairs. He just might surprise you by starting to crawl up the stairs. And he could suffer a bad fall because, of course, he doesn't know how to get back down.

Other precautions: make a habit of keeping the door to the basement tightly closed at all times. Also, see that no operating mechanical equipment that could injure the baby is on or near the floor. Disconnect anything of this kind that can't be moved to a safer place. Otherwise, Baby might find and flip a switch to start the motor.

Let the baby do his crawling before bathtime, naptime, or mealtime. This makes it easier to interrupt his fun by diverting his attention to the next activity. Otherwise, if you stop his crawling to put him in the playpen, he'll come to resent that handy enclosure.

Use the playpen at the beginning of his awake periods. Then you can do those jobs you have to do without his "help."

Rompers, short toppers, or long-trousered outfits are best for Baby at the crawling stage. The trousers should be roomy enough to allow the baby to move around easily, but not so large they get in the way.

Baby is going to get dirty, so dress him in hard-to-soil fabrics, like denims and corduroys, or in easy-to-wash, no-iron materials.

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How to hang wall furniture

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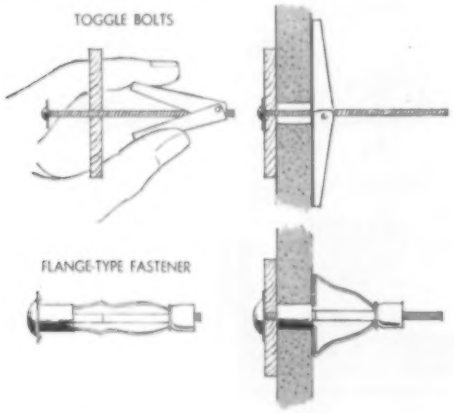
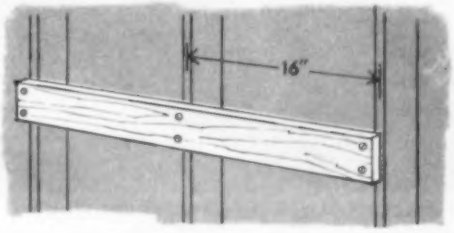
There are two methods for hanging wall furniture: by using toggle bolts or flange-type fasteners for light pieces; or by driving screws through the plaster or dry wall directly into the studding 2x4s underneath.

Flange-type fasteners and toggle bolts both do the same thing—they go completely through the plaster and expand on the other side to provide an anchor for their bolts. Both depend on the strength of the wall material only.



To use the kind of fasteners shown above, you first drill the proper size hole through the plaster or dry wall. For toggles, you thread the bolt through the fixture, and start it in the spring-out wing section. Then push the wing section through the hole in the wall and tighten the bolt.

For the flange-type fasteners, you put the flange in the hole first. Then run in the bolt to fan out the flange part in back of the plaster. Remove the bolt, slip it through the fixture, and drive it back into place.



There are several methods for locating studs to hang heavy furniture. A stud finder is a small magnet that points to the nails in the stud as you slide it over the wall. Looking along the baseboard will reveal places where it has been nailed to the studding. A wall dowser is another inexpensive instrument you can use for locating studs.

This tool is a small transparent tube with two steel balls inside. Hold it against wall and thump wall with your fist. Balls don't move when you are over a stud. Since studs are normally located 16 inches from center to center, once you find one, the others can be found easily.

It's a good idea to fasten a short board to the studs, then fasten the furniture to the board. It's easier to place the board and get the screws into the centers of the studs than to wrestle heavy furniture in place and drive the screws at the same time. Also, you can drive screws through the back of the furniture into the board wherever convenient.

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Quite a kitchen

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Fun for your crowd—an indoor barbecue. Meat cooks over ceramic coals in a built-in electric grill. After the party, just slip maple cover on, give yourself more counter space adjoining range.

Ventilator hood above grill is retractable, slides flush with upper cabinet when not in use. Maple wood cabinet doors with their provincial trim help give kitchen warmth.

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Double-duty closet in laundry area holds built-in ironing board on one side, stores cleaning gear and supplies on the other. All tools hang on perforated hardboard within easy reach. (Check the plan. Closet is just to the right of the washer and dryer.)

Notice electrical outlet for quick iron hook-up. It's smart to polka-dot kitchen and eating area with appliance outlets.

Toy cabinet is a real plus in play area. And youngsters love having a place to draw! One section of door is a blackboard; other side is corkboard for pin-ups. When children are older, just paint doors a gay color, store appliances or other things in cabinet.

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Basic steps in planting hedges of all types

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Staggered row: This gives a thick screen faster than a straight row. It's usually recommended for informal, unsheared hedges.

Base of staggered-row hedge is frequently as wide as hedge is tall—a consideration if lot is small or space is otherwise limited.

Trench planting: This is fastest method of planting small shrubs in a straight line. A trench one spade deep, two wide is adequate.

Set plants same depth they grew originally. Cover roots with pulverized soil—no clods or sod. Leave a depression for watering.

Watering: Soak plants after you finish. Use enough water to remove all air pockets and to completely settle the soil.

Water heavily again within three or four days, if there has been no rain. Feed plants when new growth becomes evident.

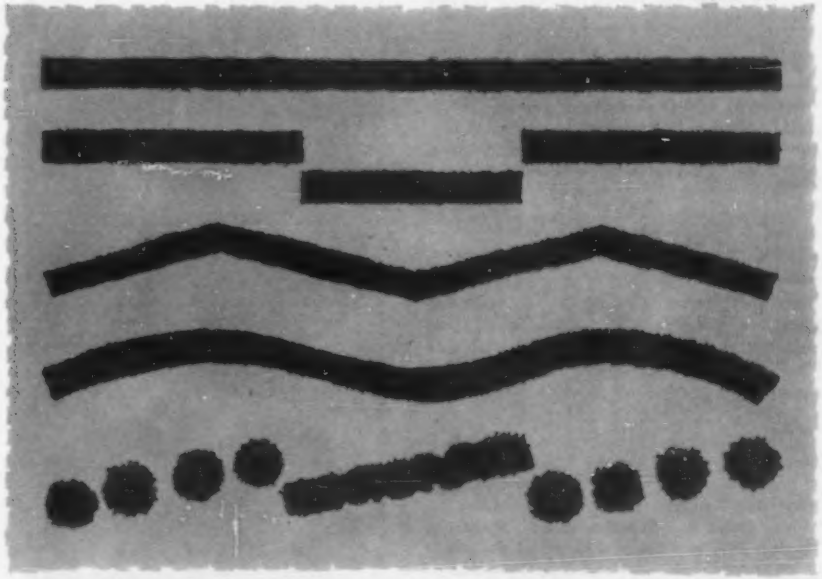
Trimming: Cut back severely after you water. Cut to one-fourth original height if it is to be sheared, one-half if informal.

Shear evergreens only enough to make them uniform, but syringe tops every few days to cut down on initial transplanting shock.

Cut along dotted lines

Your hedge doesn't have to be a straight line

Drawings: O'Reilly



You can frequently make a long hedge more interesting by varying it in one of the ways shown above—by incorporating curves, segments, or minor shifts in angle.

HEDGES: planting, choosing, placing, and using

CONSIDER hedges early in your landscape plans, and they will serve you well, season after season, year after year. Use them to divide your lot into work and play areas, to provide attractive background for outdoor living, to conceal service-yard clutter, or simply to blot out unsightly views

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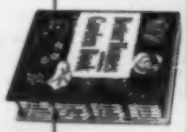


Choose hedge that grows close to height you need

Low hedges: Shrubs used for low hedging should be naturally neat, slow growing, and tolerant of regular shearing or pruning.

If hedge is to be kept less than two feet tall, some shearing is essential. Begin training plants the first year after planting.

1 to 3 feet

Alpine currant	Korean boxwood
Barberry	Lodense privet
Bigleaf wintercreeper	Santolina
Dwarf Japanese holly	Snowgarland spirea
Globe arborvitae	Teucrium

Medium hedges: This group includes some of the finest of all hedge plants, including English box, azaleas, and many of the yews.

An annual or semi-annual clipping will keep the plants compact and uniform, if a formal sheared effect is not desirable.

3 to 5 feet

Amur privet	Peking cotoneaster
Azaleas	Pfitzer juniper
Cornelian cherry	Wayfaring tree
Dwarf ninebark	Winged euonymus
Japanese yew	Yaupon holly

Tall hedges: It's seldom desirable to shear tall hedges, particularly long ones, because of the maintenance involved.

Instead, most are pruned informally. This permits the use of a large number of flowering shrubs and evergreens.

4 to 8 feet

Abelia	Flowering quince
Amur maple	Froebel spirea
Bristol Ruby weigela	Mugho pine
Chinese lilac	Nanking cherry
Crape-myrtle	Redtwig dogwood

PUSH OUT

How to keep a hedge healthy, looking good

Feeding: Give young hedges a complete plant food, such as 12-5-7 or 5-10-5, each spring.

Feed mature hedges in vigorous condition every two or three years. Use rates given on package.

Watering: The first summer after planting, water hedges every two weeks. Moisten soil a foot deep.

In areas where the soil freezes deeply, water evergreen hedges in late fall before the freeze-up.

Early training: Start clipping hedges the spring they are planted. Train so base is wider than top.

Hedges trimmed with a broad, flat top usually become leggy and open at the base as they mature.

Shearing: The attractiveness of a formal hedge depends on accurate, regular shearing, and clean cuts.

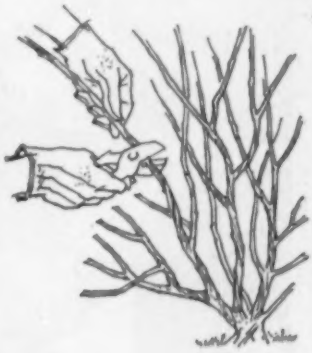
Use a guide line if the hedge is long. Check top of hedge against a level once or twice a year.

PUSH OUT

IT'S PRUNING TIME!

Now, while your trees and shrubs are still dormant, is the time to give them the proper pruning they need.

Remove suckers: Some shrubs, such as lilacs, produce an overabundance of shoots arising from roots around the base of plants. To prune, remove soil around the shoot to expose point where it originates, then cut. A few shoots can be left to eventually replace old overgrown stems. Suckers growing from the base of grafted plants should be removed entirely.



Head back stems: Do this to encourage new growth and increase size of blooms on shrubs that normally produce large flowers, such as hydrangea, althea, snowball viburnum. Cut back branches to point of origin. Severe pruning produces fewer—but much larger—flowers on the new growth. Prune all spring-flowering varieties after they finish blooming.

Renew old plants: When such shrubs as mockoranges, lilacs, spireas, and honeysuckles become overgrown, you can rejuvenate them by thinning out one-third of the oldest stems each year until they are back in the shape you desire. Make cuts as close to soil line as possible, using a narrow pruning or flexible toothed-wire saw, as shown here.

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Remove extra leader: Double leaders tend to have weak crotches and may eventually break down in a storm. You can prevent this damage by removing the weaker of the two branches now, making the cut flush with the remaining one. Do not leave a stub as it will soon die and allow rot to enter the trunk, weakening and perhaps killing the entire tree.

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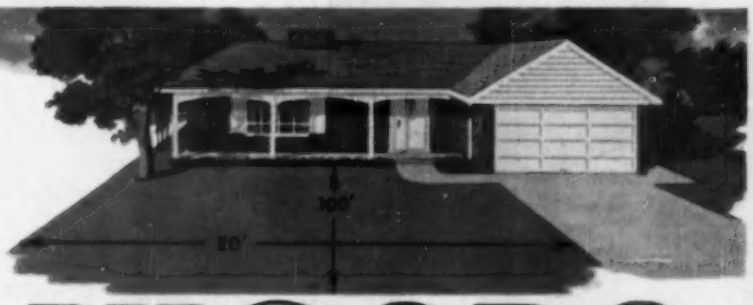

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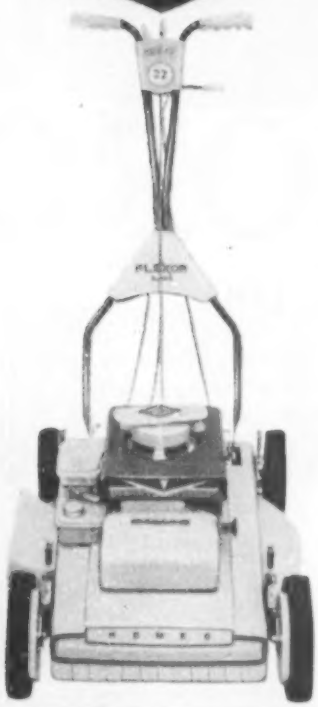

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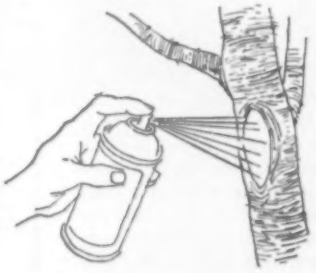
Trim crossed branches: These will rub bark off each other when moved by wind, thus exposing bare wood to weather, insects, and disease. Prune off all the undesirable branches flush at the points of origin. Any limbs growing parallel to one another should also be pruned by completely removing one to avoid competition for sun.

Prune large limbs: Remove all weakened or diseased limbs by making three cuts. First, to prevent stripping the bark, cut beneath, 8-10 inches from trunk; second, cut limb off 2 inches farther out; third, cut flush with trunk to remove remaining stub.



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YOUR NEXT MOVE is to get carpet completely dry as quickly as possible to prevent mildew, other damage to carpet or floor. Raise wet area off floor if you can so air can circulate. To speed drying, use an electric fan, the vacuum cleaner nozzle, or your hair dryer.

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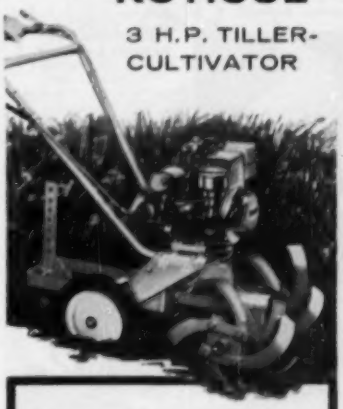

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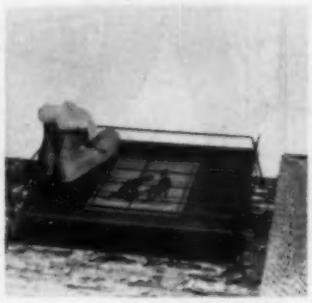

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Seed catalogues are provocative purveyors of half-truths. They speak accurately of the huge tomatoes and roses I can raise, but say nothing of the monumental labor I must expend in doing it.

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As I watch my fellow citizens, I realize it's not easy to be content with little. But it seems much harder to be content with a great deal.

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"There's nothing wrong with the younger generation," says Banker Duke Doering, "that becoming taxpayers won't cure."

"Your psychiatrist is here."

"If whatever you accomplished yesterday still looks big to you," we overheard Granddad Hillis say to my son, "then you've been loafing today."

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Twin beds with electric blankets doubtless have much mechanical merit. But I'd miss the spiritual warmth of someone who'd listen to my troubles at the office and massage the pain out of my back.

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Maybe the human race isn't so superior after all. Though I have seen thousands of birds criss-crossing the skies, hundreds of rabbits racing over the fields, and countless minnows in the water, all going at high speed, I have yet to see one collide with another or careen into a tree or telephone pole.

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Due to circumstances beyond my control (my employer), I earned very little more money last year than the year before. Due to further circumstances beyond my control (inflation), it didn't buy as much as it did the year before, either.

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Don't be fooled by any early spring thaw. If something comes up in your garden and the inevitable late freeze doesn't kill it, it'll be weeds.

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No really honorable father would eat the piece of pie stored in the refrigerator last night by one of his sweet little children. I have this fact on the good authority of my 10-year-old Judy.

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The 12 of us had just finished dinner when our young hostess rushed into the living room and said, "I just blew a fuse. Does anybody here know how to wash dishes by hand?"

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There's enough Christian talk in this world to reform a dozen worlds, but not enough Christian action to reform one world.

As a confirmed status seeker I often decide it is necessary to say some very harsh things to my wife and children. But every time I refrain from saying them, I end up with better status than before.

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Just read where more books were printed and sold in 1960 than in any other year in history. After another winter of trying to enjoy television, I can understand why.

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"Automobile driving is like playing baseball," Paul Fannin told us at Kiwanis Club. "It's the number of times you get home safe that counts." Personally, I've found that one good safety insurance policy is a Sunday afternoon nap.

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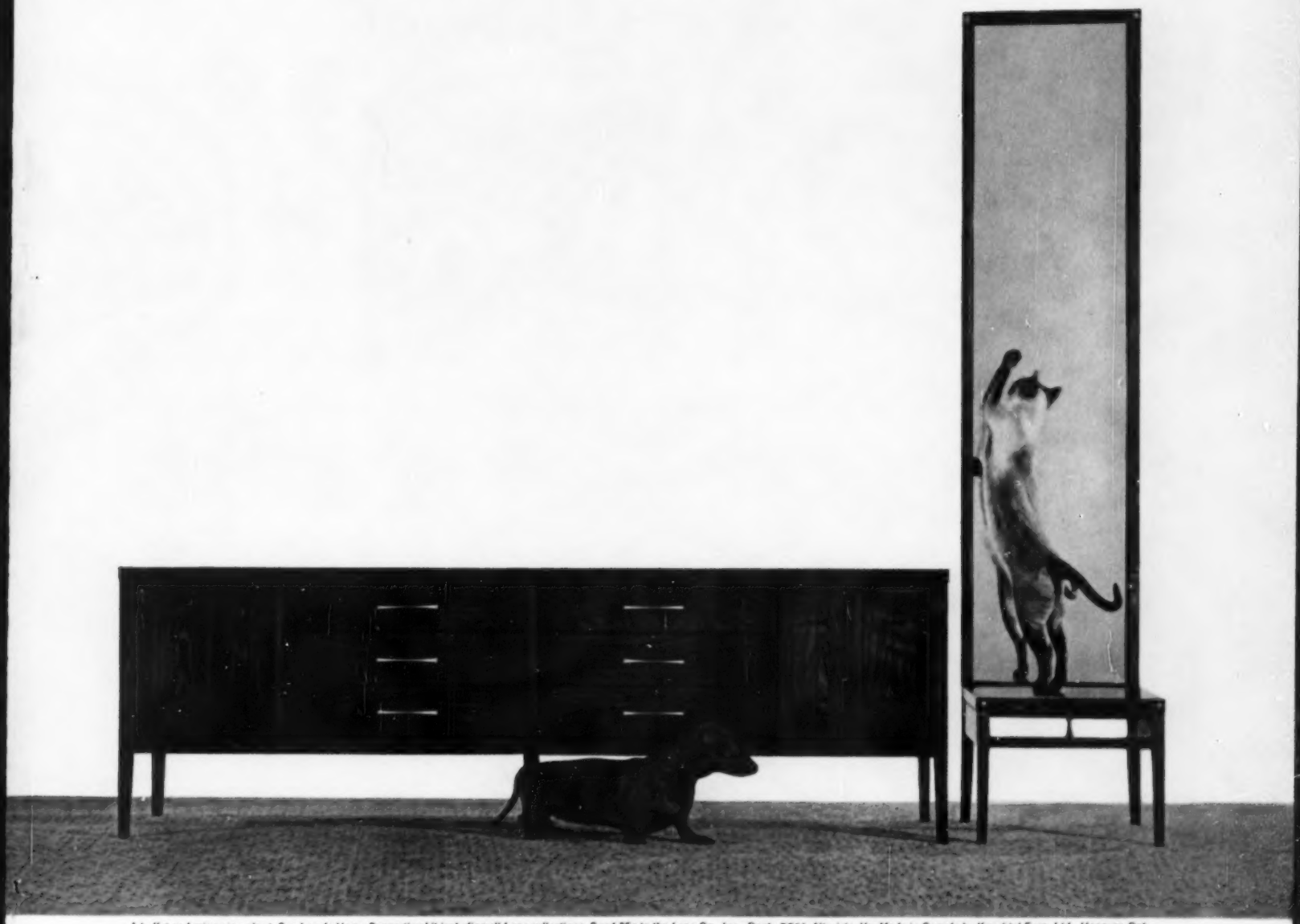

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